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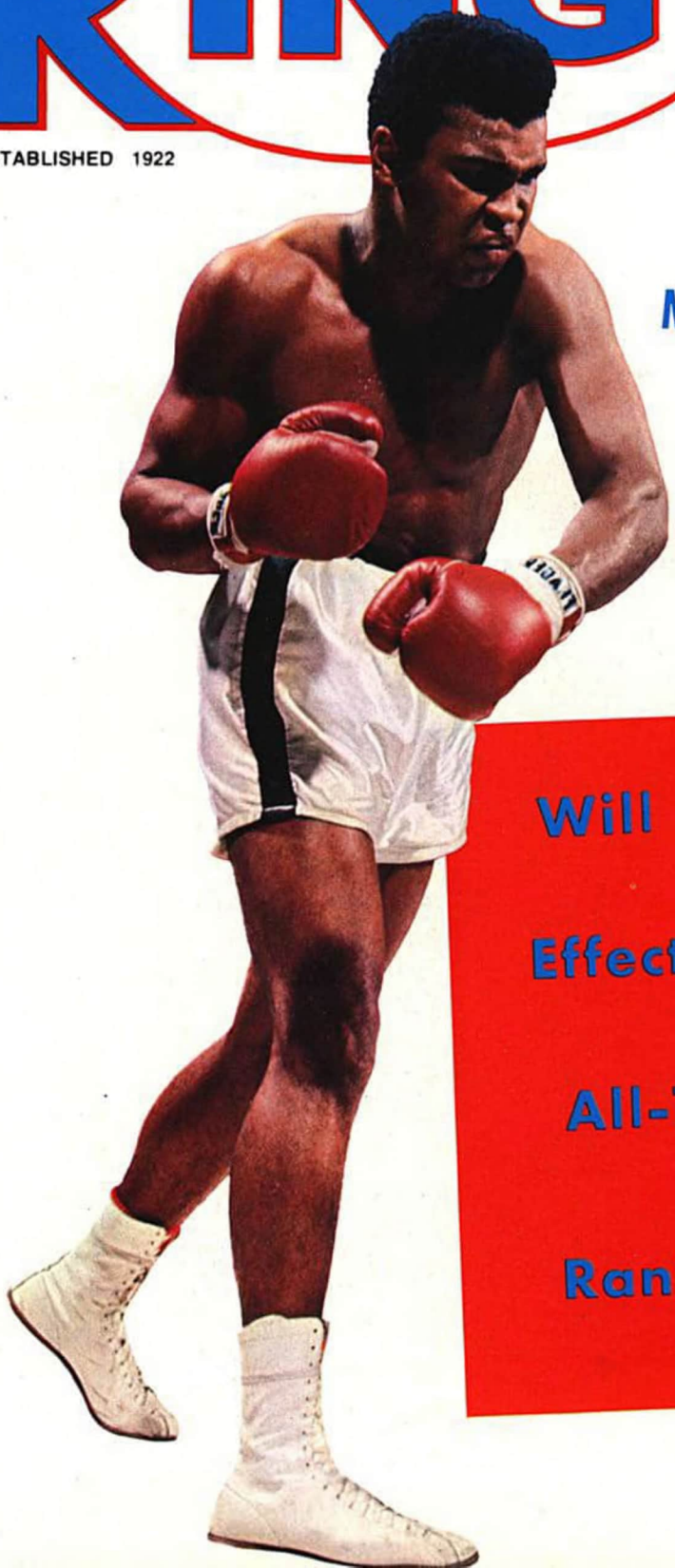

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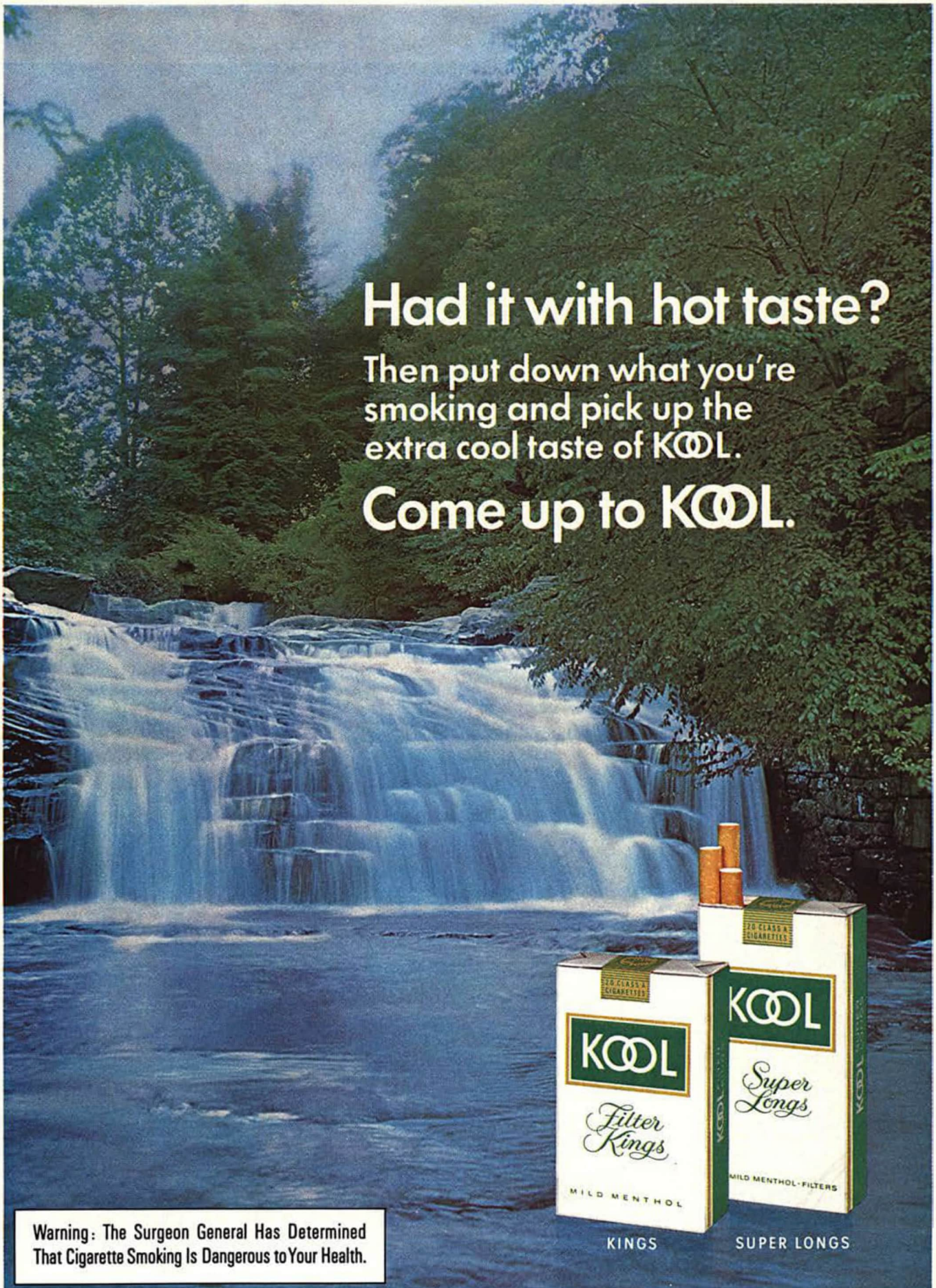

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EDITORIAL AS I SEE IT

by NAT LOUBET Editor AND Publisher of

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EFFORTS to resolve the many serious problems existing between the World Boxing Association and the World Boxing Council are underway. Dr. Elias Cordova, president of the WBA, made an announcement from his offices in Panama which stated that he could report progress in his talks with Jose Sulaiman, head of the WBC, who is based in Mexico.

Reports of the early negotiations indicated that true achievement could not be expected for some time. The trouble lies in the fact that there is neither call nor room for two international associations. What has been accomplished to date is set forth in the following announcement by Dr. Cordova:

> The world of boxing administration took its first big step to uniformity when the Executive Committee of the World Boxing Association approved the action of its president, Dr. Elias M. Cordova, of Panama, in establishing an understanding with the rival World Boxing Council on major problems which hitherto have split international boxing.
>
> President Cordova reported to the officials and to W.B.A. executive members that he had reached the first accord with the W.B.C. President, Jose Sulaiman of Mexico, which will bridge hitherto discordant regulations. The two organizations have been battling for position for years.
>
> To halt wrangling over a "who is who" of champions, the two organizations, representing most ruling bodies in the world, agreed that where a difference existed over a champion in any division, the rival group would designate the other champion as its leading contender.
>
> "In this manner," said W.B.A. President Cordova, "We hope to put a halt to the confusion of split titles. This is the first step in this direction."
>
> With both sides preparing the same negotiating terms, one of the prime targets will be a common code of principles and ethics, thus putting an end to petty arguments which for years have dotted the boxing scene. A major goal, said Cordova for W.B.A. and Sulaiman for W.B.A. will be joint supervision of the heavyweight division which frequently has been the battleground for heated disputes. Along these lines, a uniform set of rules and regulations will be devised.
>
> The W.B.A. took official note of the recently harshly criticized knockout of Jan Pierre Coopman, of Belgium, by champion Muhammad Ali. Henceforth, it was decreed, approval will be given only of title bouts in which ranked challengers will meet the champion.

It is indicated that both associations were aroused by the universal criticism of the Ali-Coopman "fight" in Puerto Rico and will not approve a title contest unless the challenger shows a right to get that approval.

What the two organizations will do about Muhammad taking on Jimmy Young is not made clear.

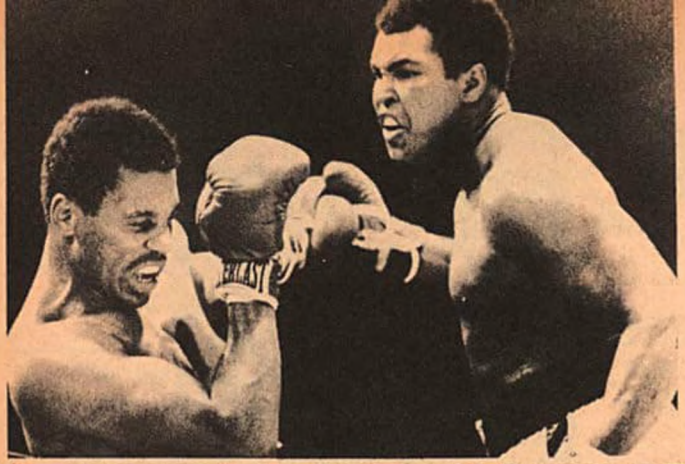
It is interesting and important that the two associations have decided to get together at the negotiation table and make an effort toward unanimity of action. THE RING realizes that the problems facing them are numerous.

THE RING is delighted that the two bodies have made a start toward much needed action, especially in the matter of dual titleholders.

Both associations are aware of the injury to boxing suffered through the governmental barring of the sport in Korea, where a case of bribing having to do with a half-ownership of a title has been exposed.

The boxing public is warned not to expect very much from the introductory talks.

But, there is action at last and that is to be welcomed as an unexpected development. Let us have more talks. They are so badly needed.



The world heavyweight champion, Muhammad Ali, won a much disputed 15 round unanimous decision over Philadelphia's Jimmy Young at the Capital Centre Arena, in Landover, Maryland. In what was a pretty even fight, Young grimaces from a blow by Ali (above left), and Young lands a right to the jaw of Ali (above right).

MUHAMMAD ALI VS. JIMMY YOUNG; COVERED FROM RINGSIDE

By NAT LOUBET

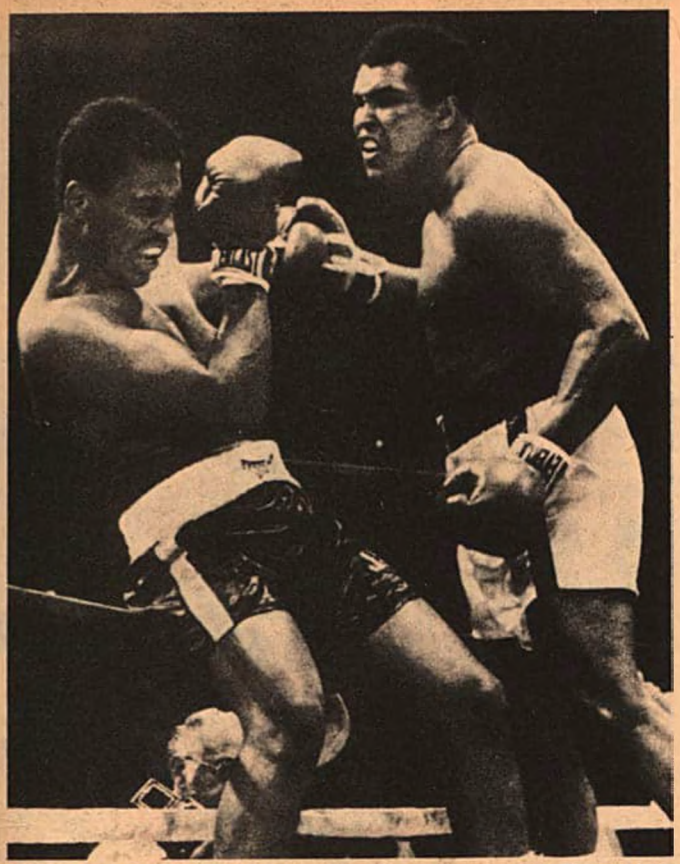
Boxing's greatest showman and ballyhoo expert defeated Jimmy Young, of Philadelphia, before an estimated 14,000 fans at the Capital Centre arena at Landover, Maryland, and won a disputed fifteen round decision to retain his world heavyweight championship title.

Sitting at ringside prior to the fight, the word was that Ali was a 15 to 1 betting favorite. Most of the experts felt that Ali would take it easy with Young for eight to ten rounds so that the television fans would get a good show and so that his next outing with Richard Dunn, the European champion, would draw big on the basis of Young's having given the champ a good fight.

Good it wasn't, a fight it wasn't, proof of any of the statements it wasn't. The fight raised many questions. Did Ali take it easy for the sake of video? Did he finally get going too late and then was he unable to get untracked?

That he looked very unformidable there is no doubt. Had he

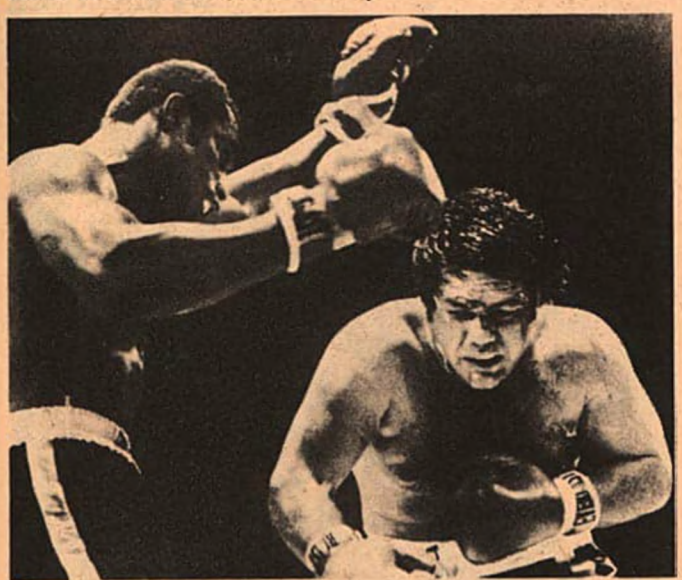
(Below left) Young ducked through the ropes several times to avoid being hit, but only once did referee Kelly count it as a knockdown, at which point it took Young until three to get back through the ropes. (Below right) Ali blocks a punch as he bounces off the ropes.



Jimmy Young wards off Ali as the champion crowds Young into the ropes. Most of the fight saw Ali as the aggressor, Young tossing punches quickly, then moving out of harm's way.

been in there with Ken Norton he could not have gotten away with the steady forward movement, his hands held high over his face—a la Floyd Patterson peep defense—nor could he have motioned Ken forward to hit him in the stomach with impunity.

Believe it or not, Young was afraid it was a trap and did his best by using his speed, fair left jab and superb leg movement to pile up points, and on several occasions slid half of his body out of the ropes so as to make sure that the champion could not land a punch. Only at one point in the contest did Referee Kelly count the Maneuver as a knockdown, and at that point he counted to three before Young worked his way back into the ring.



Heavyweight Ken Norton, left, dodges a right by Ron Stander in the course of their bout, which was stopped in round five with Stander's face a bloody pulp. Norton is awaiting a shot at Ali's title.

It is true that Ali was the aggressor much of the time, but being aggressive without being effective is meaningless. I had the fight as an even bout, which favors the champion. That the fight was certainly nothing like the officials' scores, every expert this side of the great divide would agree. The rounds wound their way so boringly that the longer the fight went on, the more it became obvious that nothing was about to happen.

A heavyweight title fight is the world's greatest event, as the crowd waits with bated breath for the big punch, the knockout, the deciding minutes in the fight. Unlike any other weight class or sports event it is a rare thing for a heavyweight title bout not to have at least one fighter with a damaging sock. In this fight it should have been Ali, but as the fight went on it became evident that Ali didn't have it, either by design or fact, ultimately, by fact. At 230 pounds he was out of shape, and as Ali himself said, "It was Young who moved in and out and around, punched fast—as I used to do." He continued, "I just didn't have it, maybe I was out too late last night. I will take the next fight, the one with Dunn more seriously."

He thought he won by virtue of his aggressiveness. The writer did not. He thought Ali won because in the case of a draw the title remains with the champ. Ali had no edge in that fight.

The first round was the tip off. At the bell Ali rushed out, met Young in the middle of the ring, placed his gloves high and began to stalk Young. Ali did not punch. It was a frantic Young, waiting for the destruction which never came, who threw left jabs and an occasional right to Ali's head.

As the fight progressed, Young got more confidence and even threw a few good punches to Ali's body, but the truth of the matter was that Young can't punch hard enough to break an egg, or he would have damaged Ali on several occasions.

Ali spent a lot of his time in his favorite pastime, glaring. The remainder of the time Ali spent missing violent punches that at first looked intentional, and as the fight progressed began to seem more a lack of coordination.

Most of the fight showed Ali moving forward and Young moving like a jackrabbit, tossing punches quickly and then moving out of harm's way. When the bell rang ending the fight no one quite believed what he had witnessed. Many at ringside believed that Young had won. If there was a point of difference it would seem that a challenger should take a champion's title away from him and not win it running away, and there was no doubt but that Young ran to live another day.

Not one single punch by either man was of the type that would be more than stinging. No real jarring punches, nothing that was in any way paralyzing.

We must not take away from Young the point that he lasted fifteen rounds with an inept champion, but he looked like a little boy against the heavy boned champion. Young looked more like a light heavyweight at his 211 pounds and never gave the impression of being overly dangerous.

The referee tabbed the fight 72-65 for Ali, while judge Terry Moore had it 71-74 and the other judge, 76-68, to give Ali a unanimous decision. The five must system was used which stipulated that one fighter gets five points and the other four or less. That any one of the three officials was watching the same fight that I was is amazing.

The opening twelve rounder featured Ken Norton and Ron Stander, a short roly-poly type with more guts than any man should be blessed with. By the fifth round referee Harry Cecchini, after 1:19, called it quits. Stander proved he was an All-American taker. He was bleeding from every opening and was still in there daring Norton to hit him and wanting to fight back. The fight could have been halted two rounds earlier.

In the undercard Larry Holmes, San Diego, won a unanimous 10 rounder from Roy Williams, Philadelphia; Lou Esa, Miami Beach, was KO'd by Bump Kelly, North Carolina, in 4; and Biff Cline, a lightheavy on an otherwise heavyweight card, iced Jimmy Davis in 1.

SKOG OUTCLASSED BY WBA CHAMP GALINDEZ

By SVEN EKSTRÖM

OSLO, Norway — WBA world light heavyweight champion, Victor Galindez, of Argentina, picked up some easy money in Scandinavia's new boxing capital, when he knocked out Norwegian challenger Harald Skog after one minute and 45 seconds into the third round.

A disappointed crowd of 2,500 spectators in the Ekeberg Hall watched the one-sided fight, which proved that Skog had been almost brutally over-matched.

Galindez took it easy in the first round and let the Norwegian do the attacking. Harald connected with a long straight left a couple of times, but the blows in no way affected the rugged Argentinian. Victor took command in the second and moved in with powerful right and left hooks, of which the last one—only 5 seconds before the end of the round—floored the challenger.

In the third, Harald came out to try some long rights and lefts, but was soon on the backrunning road. The cool, determined champion went after him, waiting for his chance, which every one in the hall knew would come. After about one minute a right hand hook sent Skog crumbling over the ropes, but after an 8 count the fight went on. The knock down was, however, the beginning of the end. A combination of blows sent the defenseless Norwegian down for a new floor visit. He was up before long, but referee Tony

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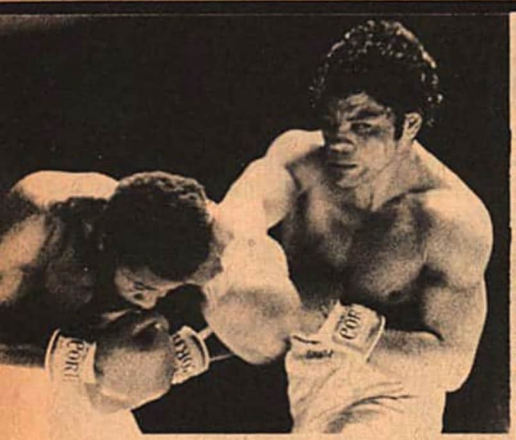
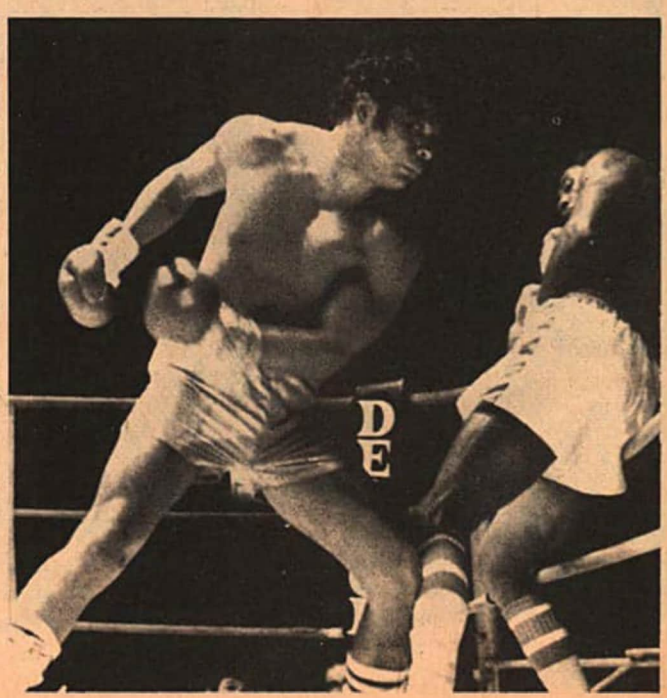
Norwegian challenger Harald Skog hits the canvas in round three of his title bout with Argentinian WBA light heavyweight champion Victor Galindez. The referee counted Skog out at 1:45 of that round.



Galindez Wins Close One Over Burnett

(Left) WBA light heavyweight champ Victor Galindez follows through on a right to Jessie Burnett, U.S.A., in the course of their Copenhagen non-title bout, which Galindez won over 10 rounds. (Right) Galindez drives Burnett into the ropes.

By J.A. TREE



COPENHAGEN—W.B.A. light heavyweight king, Victor Galindez, Argentina, boxed his second contest within two weeks in Europe. Victor won a close ten round nod in an over the weight bout against Los Angeles' number 10 ranked light heavyweight, Jessie Burnett. Two weeks earlier he defended his crown with a three round kayo over Harold Skog in Oslo, Norway.

Galindez has not lost a contest since December 18, 1971, when he lost a decision to Avenamar Peralta. Since that point he has engaged in 30 bouts, winning 29, drawing once, with Juan Aguilar in 1972. Galindez won the W.B.A. half of the light heavyweight title on December 7, 1974; he outpointed U.S. champion Len Hutchins over 15 rounds in Buenos Aires, Argentina. In 1975 Victor defended his title three times. He twice defeated South Africa's Pierre Fourie and outpointed fellow countryman Jorge Ahumada in Madison Square Garden, New York. His record to date 40-5-4, with 2 no decisions, scoring 24 knockouts.

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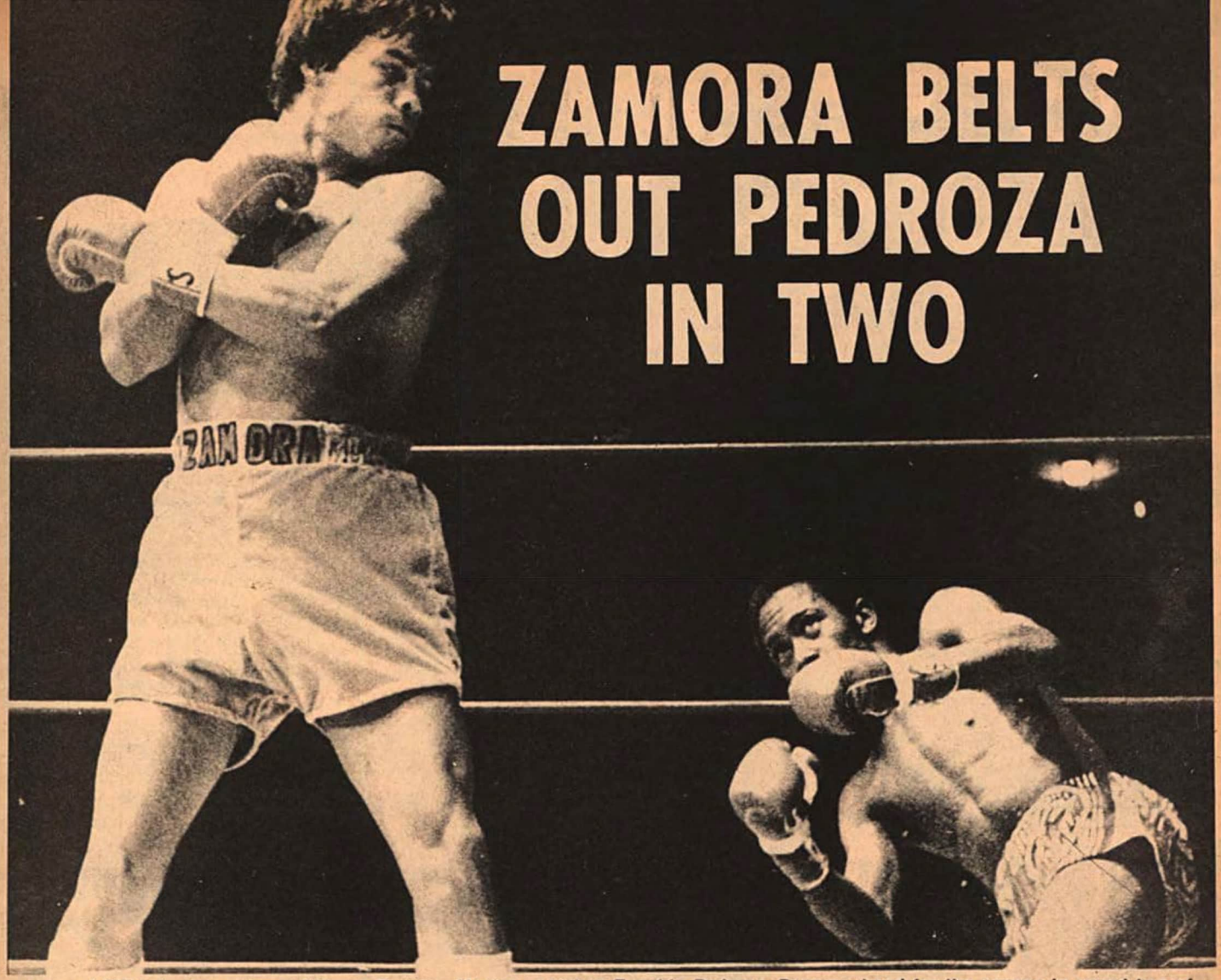
ZAMORA BELTS OUT PEDROZA IN TWO



(Above) WBA bantam champ Alfonso Zamora, Mexico, watches Eusebio Pedroza, Panama, head for the canvas in round two of their Mexicali bout. Pedroza stayed down, leaving the bantam crown firmly on Zamora's head. (Below) Zamora, left, goes to work on Pedroza's midsection.

By HOWARD WHITE

MEXICALI, MEXICO — Undefeated world bantamweight king Alfonso Zamora retained his crown with a two round knockout over Panama's Eusebio Pedroza.

Zamora became the second youngest fighter to win a world title when he kayoed Soo Hwan Hong, of Korea, in four rounds, on March 14, 1975, at the Forum in Los Angeles. Puerto Rico's Wilfredo Benitez has since won this honor by defeating Antonio Cervantes of Colombia for the junior welterweight title in San Juan, Puerto Rico recently.

Alfonso's record is perfect, 25 bouts, 25 wins, all via kayo. He defended his crown twice in 1975 stopping Thailand's Thanomjit Sukhothai in four, at Anaheim, California, and kayoing Socrates Batoto, of the Philippines, in two, at Mexico City.

Pedroza, of Panama, is a newcomer to the world boxing picture. He has done all his boxing in his native Panama. Last year Eusebio had a big year, winning all five contests he engaged in. He outpointed in ten round bouts Ernesto Mathias and Argentina's top ranking boxer for bantamweight honors, Benico Sosa. Pedroza also scored three knockouts: Marcos Britton, 4, Guillermo Almongod, 7, and local hero Orlando Amoros, 9.

The bout itself lasted only 4 minutes and 3 seconds. Round one found Pedroza using his 5 inches in height and reach, boxing the

smaller champion. Zamora didn't do that badly in round one, landing hard left hooks to the body, as the Panamian boxer dance and jabbed.

Zamora put end to the bout with a long overhand right to the jaw of Eusebio. The Panamaian took an 8 count and tried to keep away from the champ. Alfonso then finished him off with a left hook at 1:03 of the second round.

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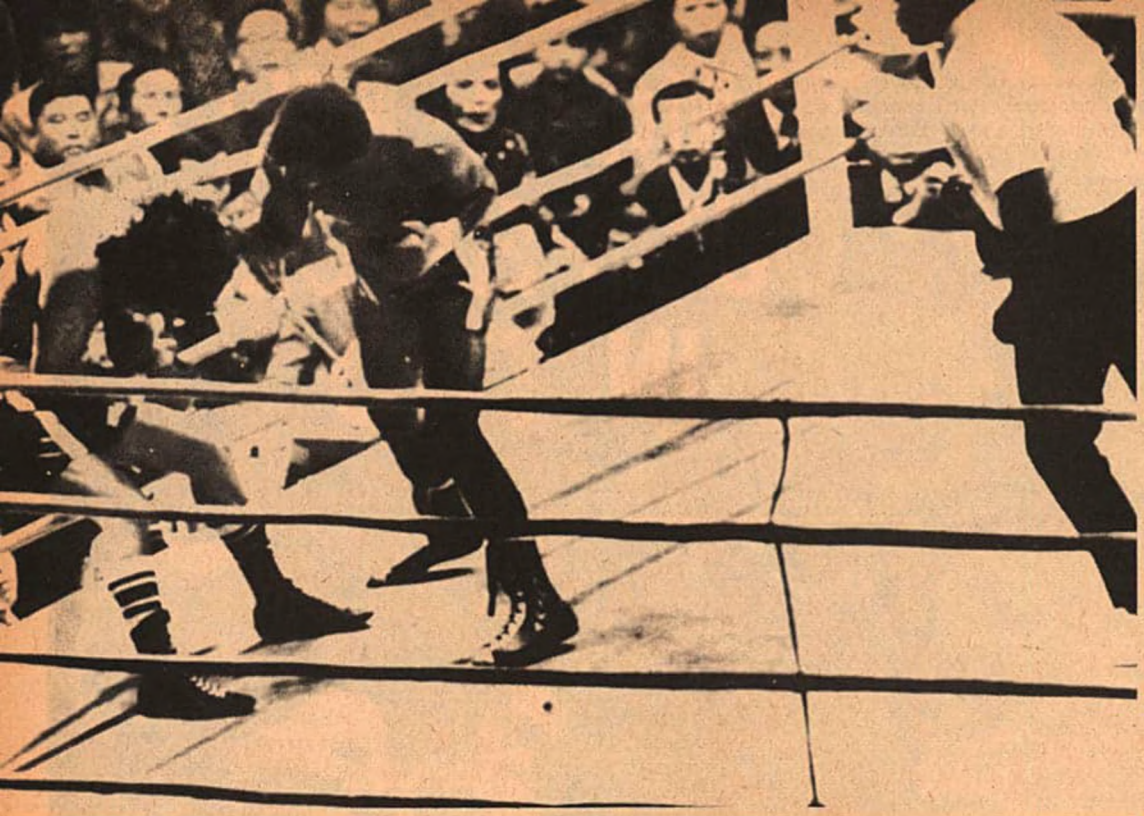
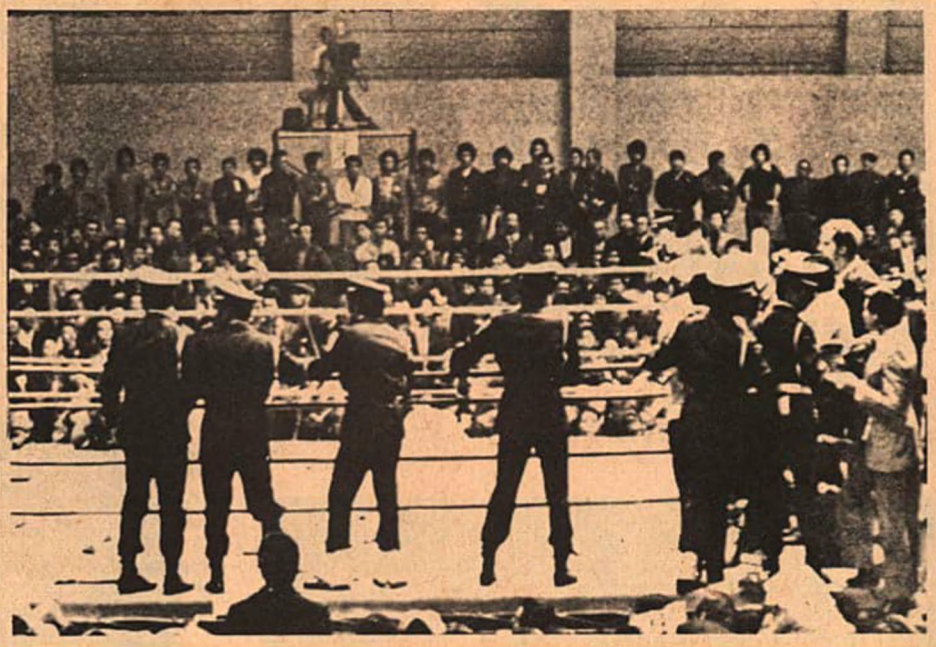


(Left) Just prior to the stoppage of the fight in round six by referee Tsmail Falu, right, WBC Jr. lightweight champ Alfredo Escalera, Puerto Rico, drives Buzzsaw Yamabe, Japan, into the ropes, where the Japanese was helplessly pummeled for about 30 seconds. (Below) When Falu stopped the Nara, Japan, bout the spectators raised such a protest that policemen were brought in to protect the fighters and the referee from the cans and other objects being thrown into the ring.

Escalera Vs. Yamabe Bout Causes Riot In Japan



By JOE Y. KOIZUMI

NARA, JAPAN — Puerto Rico's W.B.C. junior lightweight king Alfredo Escalera scored what looked to be a six round kayo over Japan's Buzzsaw Yamabe.

The champion seemed to be on top all the way from round one until the contest was stopped by referee Quinones Falu, of Puerto Rico, at 2:39 of the sixth round. At this point in the bout Escalera was tagging Yamabe with everything but the kitchen sink. The Japanese boxer was pinned against the ropes for 30 seconds without returning a blow when referee Falu stopped the bout.

Some 6,000 fans started to yell, "No no! Carry on the fight." Many of them climbed into the ring, while others carried out the noble art of throwing empty soft-drink cans and other objects into the ring. Policemen had to circle the ring to protect the fighters and referee from the rioting mob.

The Japanese Commission announced after the bout that it was ruling the fight a "no contest" and asked promoter Saburo Arashida to withhold both boxers purses until it could get a ruling from the World Boxing Council, who, by the way, had no representative at the fight.

Escalera, ducking the flying objects, managed to get back to his dressing room in one piece. He stated, "I don't know what they were protesting about. Yamabe was out on his feet. The only thing holding him up was the ropes. I must've hit him for a good half-minute without him answering back. I definitely don't think the referee acted too fast in stopping the fight. If he had let him go on, Yamabe might have been seriously hurt. As for the commission request for a return match, there is no way I will go back there to box him again."

This was Escalera's fourth defense of the W.B.C. junior lightweight title. He drew with Lionel Hernandez, kayoed Sven Eric Paulsen and halted Jose Fernandez. He has a record of 42-6-1, with 35 knockouts.

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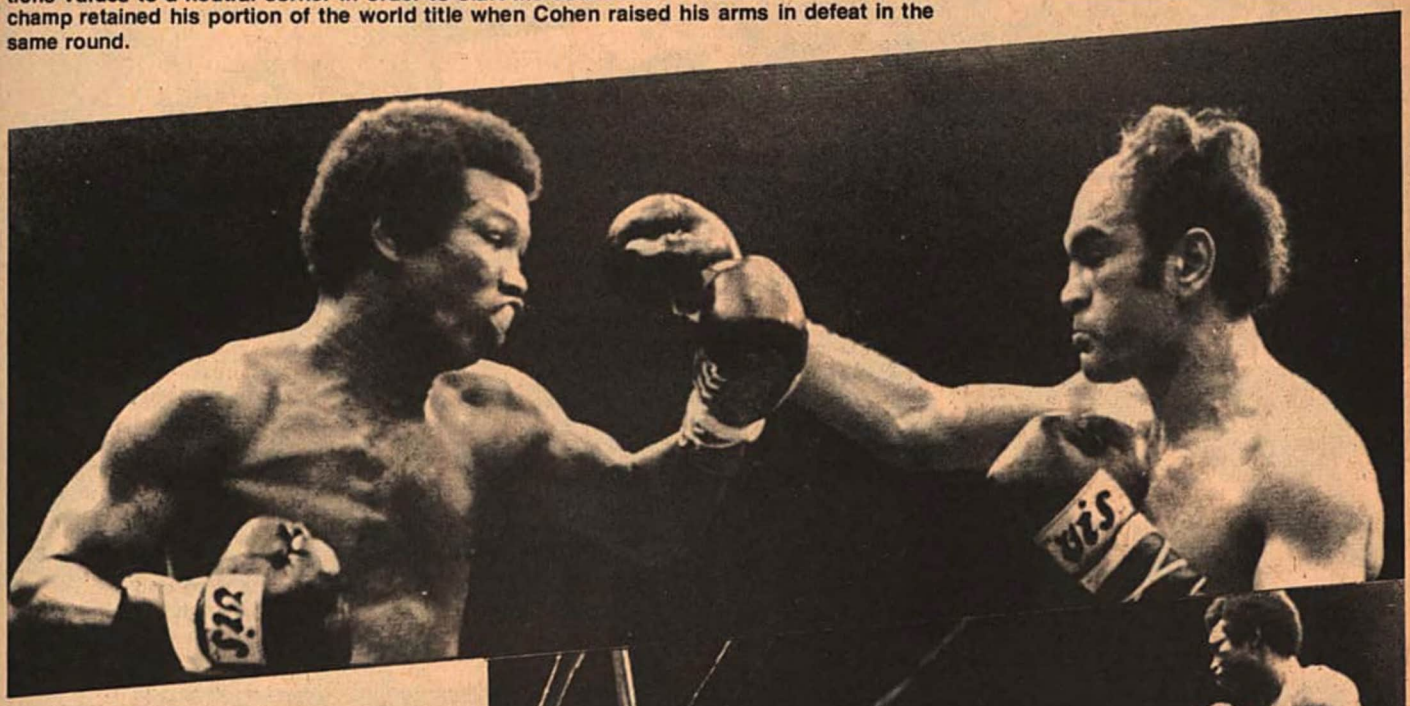
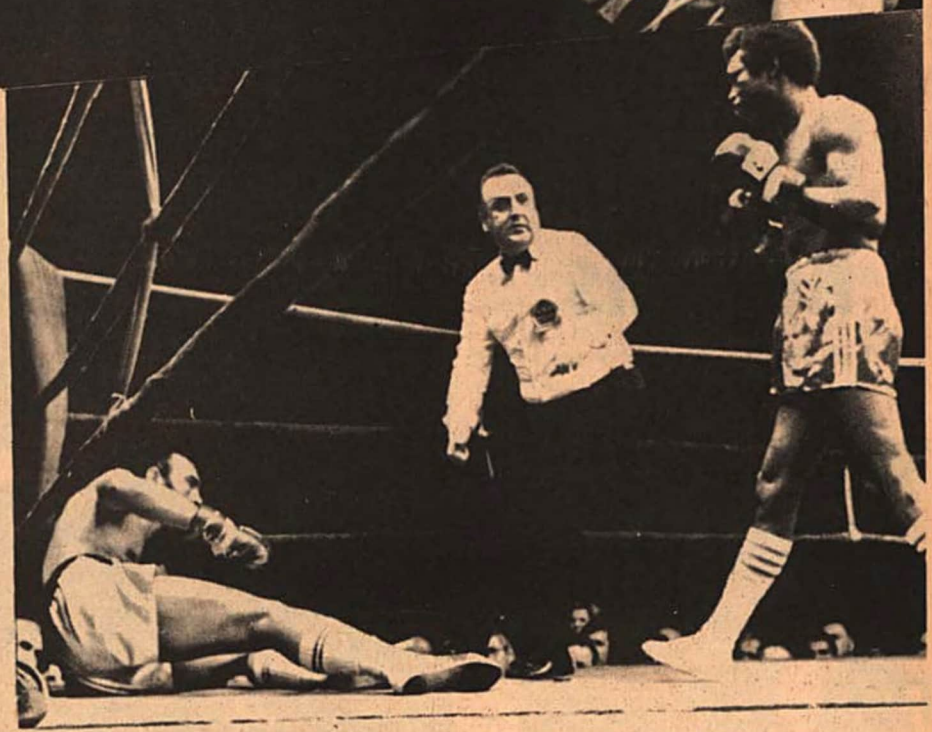
In first round of fighting, WBC middleweight champion Rodrigo Valdes, Colombia, parries a right from Max Cohen, France, during their Paris match. (Lower photo) Referee Betini motions Valdes to a neutral corner in order to start the count over Cohen in round four. The champ retained his portion of the world title when Cohen raised his arms in defeat in the same round.





VALDES KO's COHEN IN 4; SHAVERS BEATS CLARK

By JACK A. TREE

PARIS, FRANCE — After the affair between WBC middleweight champion Rodrigo Valdes, Colombia, and local matador, Max Cohen, I say, "Stop feeding the lambs to the lion." Carlos Monzon is the only man capable of stepping in the ring on equal terms with this smart champion, Valdes. Here at the Pavillon De Paris, Rodrigo Valdes held on to his half crown by beating off a challenge by Frenchman Max Cohen, who had not been in action since last November, and had entered the ring on only two occasions last year.

Referee Bertini, Italy, called a halt in round four and in doing so saved Cohen a great deal of unnecessary punishment and prevented the fight from becoming a farce.

Credit to Max Cohen. He gave his best, took chances and got off the canvas on two occasions to let us know he had guts. But he was never in the fight with a real chance against this WBC champion who knows his trade well. The Frenchman had stepped out of his class and was getting a beating.

After an even first round Valdes got on top, and in the second he had Cohen in a neutral corner hammering him with lefts and rights as the bell sounded.

A right caught the Frenchman on the side of the face in round three and he went down. Bertini started to count as Cohen protested that he had slipped, and that he had not gone down as a result of the champion's punch.

Valdes knew better than this and he immediately went in for the kill with a combination of lefts and rights. A short left hook caught Cohen on the jaw in Valdes's corner, and the Frenchman dropped to his knees, remaining there until the count reached eight. He made it to his feet, but staggered across the ring like a drunk as the bell came to his rescue.

The fighters were exchanging punches before the bell sounded for the fourth. In France the first sound of the gong warns the seconds to leave the ring, and in this case both boxers thought the round had begun.

It mattered little, for the writing was already on the wall for Cohen. A two handed attack by Valdes trapped the Frenchman against the ropes and he appeared to be in trouble. In fact, so much so, that Bertini saw fit to break up the engagement. Cohen made

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Ben Villaflor, Philippines, charges at Samuel Serrano, Puerto Rico, during their WBA Jr. lightweight title fight in Honolulu. Villaflor retained his portion of the world title with a 15 round draw.

Villaflor Retains Title, But Barely

By TED YAMACHIKA

Serrano sends the sweat flying as he connects with a right to Villaflor's head. Although Villaflor did retain his crown, many at ringside thought Serrano had the better part of the action, and WBA president Elias Cordova has demanded a rematch within 60 days.

FOR a championship fight, it wasn't much. Ben Villaflor, of the Philippines, kept his WBA junior lightweight crown, but not because he was the better fighter. He was only able to gain a draw over 15 rounds, and at that a dubious one, against Sam Serrano, of Puerto Rico, at the Blaisdell Memorial Center, the former Honolulu International center.

Judge Walter Cho favored Villaflor 73-69, judge Tomo Tomihara had Serrano winning 72-67, while referee Wilbert Minn called it even at 70-70.

Villaflor was unable to land his potent left at any time in the fight, at least not solidly. In the middle rounds he even appeared frustrated and began lunging at his foe. But somehow he managed to keep his cool and showed a little better form in the last three rounds. In fact, he landed his best lefts in the last two rounds, but Serrano took them without too much trouble.

Serrano, with Angelo Dundee in his corner, was the better boxer without a doubt, and he showed his lightning speed whenever he got in a tight spot. In most of the exchanges he had the edge in solid punches, but at times it seemed he played it too safe. A little more fire would have returned him the winner.

The last two rounds, when Serrano had Villaflor nursing a cut eye, he could have opened up, but didn't. Maybe he thought he was a sure winner. The consensus was that Serrano had the better of it.

Upon being informed of the outcome of the fight, World Boxing Association president Elias Cordova demanded a rematch between Villaflor and Serrano, "On neutral

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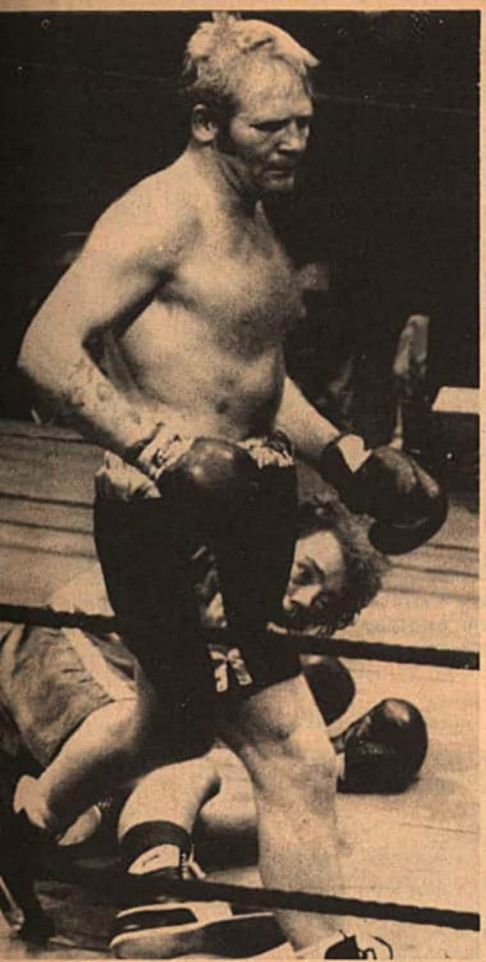
Dunn, On Way To Ali, Stops August In 3 For Euro Crown

By RON OLVER



Britain's Richard Dunn walks to a neutral corner after knocking Germany's Bernd August down in the third and final round of the European heavyweight title fight. Note August's left eye, which was swollen shut in round two.

LONDON, England—Royal Albert Hall—Dunn's done it! Yes, British and Commonwealth heavyweight champion Richard Dunn added the European crown by stopping German Bernd August in three rounds, thus qualifying for a world title fight with champion Muhammad Ali at Munich.

Dunn, 211½, was always in command and gave a thoroughly competent performance.

Having said that, it must be stressed that the difference between Bernd August and Muhammad Ali is the difference between chalk and cheese.

"Beanpole" August, 214, all 6 feet 7 inches of him, is young, game and enthusiastic, but short on experience, and had neither the punch nor the stamina to worry the British champion.

Southpaw Dunn was so keen to get on with it that thinking he had heard the opening bell, he rushed out of his corner and was just about to clobber August when he was informed that the right bell had not been rung.

Nevertheless, Dunn soon got to grips with his opponent, and in the first minute of the fight caught August with a couple of left swings to the face, and August went wobbly at the knees.

Dunn followed up and another left cross put his opponent on the canvas. He arose, the count reached eight, and almost immediately the bell ended the round.

August was nothing if not brave. In spite of being hurt, he came forward in the second round, trying to take the fight to his opponent. But he looked frail in comparison with Dunn, and Richard allowed his man to advance, then countered sharply with a left to the head, then a following right.

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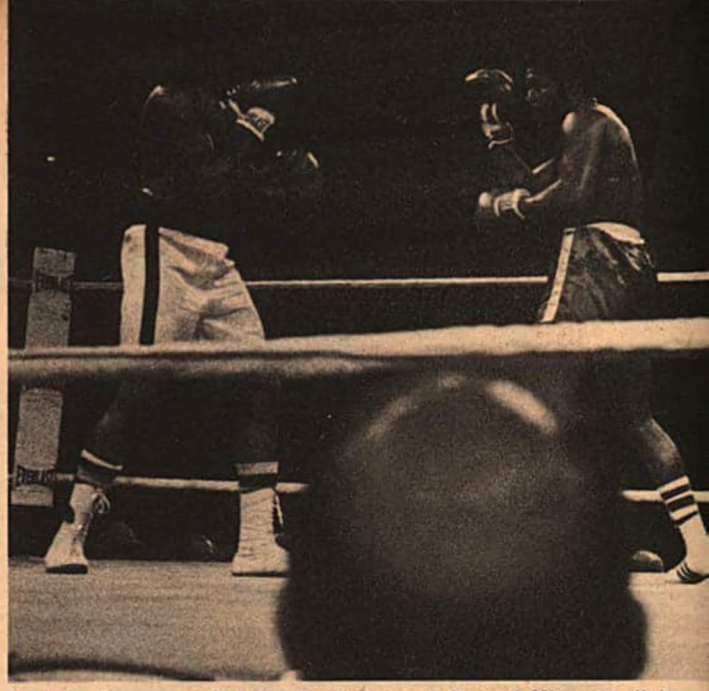
(Above) August, left, winces as a left from Dunn connects with the German's jaw during the London fight which ended at 1:38 of round three. The referee stopped the fight to save the game but inexperienced August from further punishment. (Right) Richard Dunn raises his arms in victory. Promoter Butch Lewis then got into the ring to place a silver crown on Dunn's head, to mark the British and Commonwealth champion's annexing of the European heavyweight title.

Johnny Boudreaux, right, from Houston, and Joe Gholston, from Miami, exchange punches in the course of their heavyweight fight. Boudreaux scored a ten round decision.



Easton, Pennsylvania's Larry Holmes, left, and Minneapolis's Fred Ashew size one another up at the beginning of the heavyweight bout which ended with a second round KO in Holmes's favor.

BOUDREAUX AND HOLMES WIN AT CAPITAL CENTRE

By JOHN ORT

Photos by Ed Scullen

RINGSIDE CAPITAL CENTRE—Promoter Don King's first show at the Centre was a smash. More than 10,000 fans came out to see four undefeated young heavyweight hopefuls. Three won, while the other was held to a draw.

5th ranked Larry Holmes made it 21 in a row, with an easy second round kayo over Minneapolis heavyweight Fred Ashew; Houston's Johnny Boudreaux scored a 10 round nod over Miami's Joe Gholston; John Dino Dennis was held to a draw with Obie English, Philadelphia; Biff "The Terror" Cline lived up to his name with a one-punch knockout over Al Byrd. In two 8 round bouts heavyweight Kevin Isaacs outpointed Greg Johnson and junior middleweight Mike Baker, a local boy, won a split decision over New York's Larry Davis.

The Holmes bout was a one-side affair. Larry, from Easton, Pennsylvania, 207¼, scored with stiff left jabs to the face of Fred Ashew, 206, hurting the Minneapolis boxer's left eye in round one. Ashew took an eight count while holding his hand over the eye.

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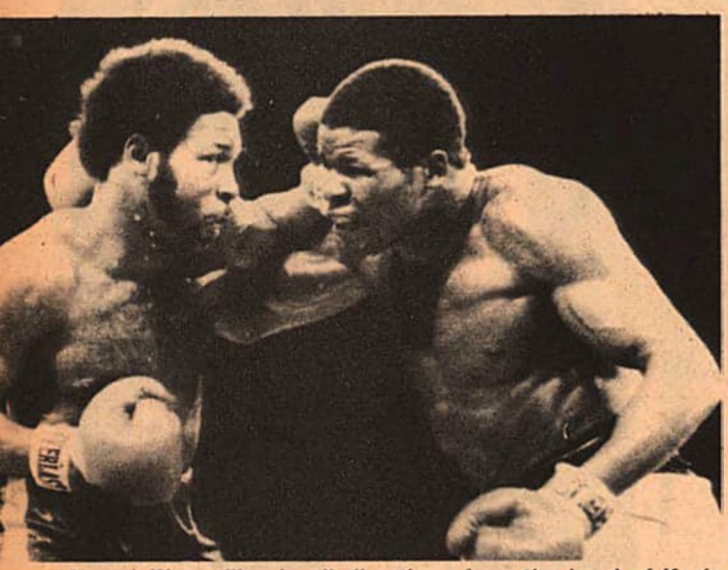
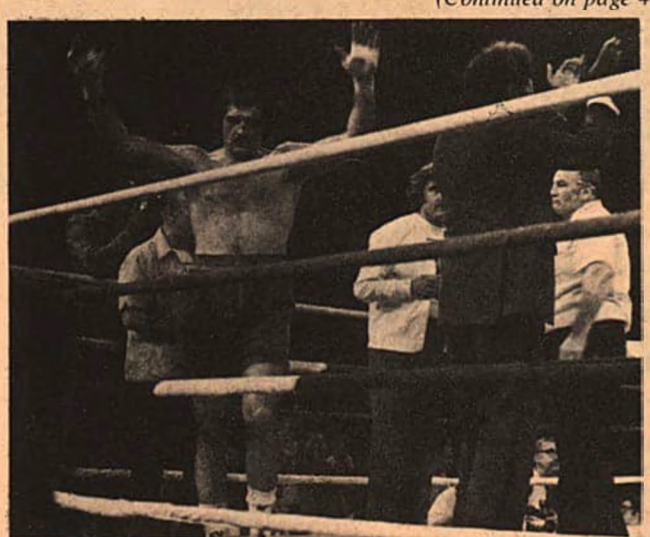


(Above) Water flies in all directions from the head of Kevin Isaacs, left, after he was hit on the side of the head by Gregory Johnson. The eight round decision went to Isaacs. Both heavyweights are from New York. (Right) Heavyweight John Dino Dennis, Attleboro, Massachusetts, acknowledges the cheers of the fans at the end of his 10 round draw with Obie English, Philadelphia.



A bloodied WBA Fly champ, Alfonso Lopez, of Panama, lands a right to the head of Shoji Oguma, of Japan, in the seventh round of their 15 round title fight in Tokyo.

WBA Fly King Lopez Beats Oguma In 15

By JOE Y. KOIZUMI

TOKYO, JAPAN — Panama's Alfonso Lopez, 110¼, made his first defense of his new W.B.A. flyweight crown, when he outpointed local Shoji Oguma over 15 rounds.

The undefeated Lopez first became known to the boxing world on June 29, 1974, when he outpointed then W.B.A. flyweight king Erbito Salavarria, of the Philippines, in ten rounds, in Panama City, in an over the weight contest. After that he won five in a row. He beat Calixto Perez in ten; kayoed Ely Garces, 2; Hildo Rocha, 2; and Juan Herrera, 1. The fifth was the big one! Alfonso went to Manila, Philippines, to do battle again with Salavarria. This time the title was on the line. It was a tough fight that

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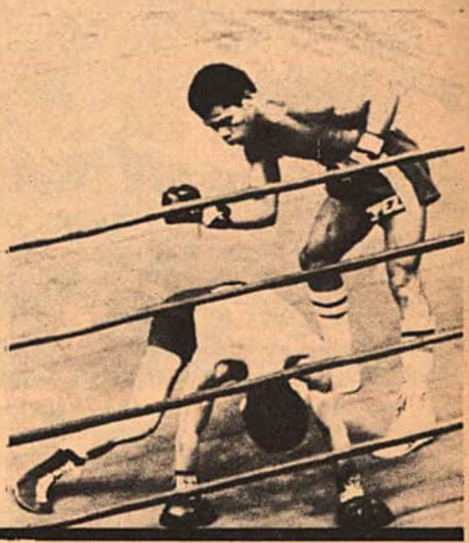
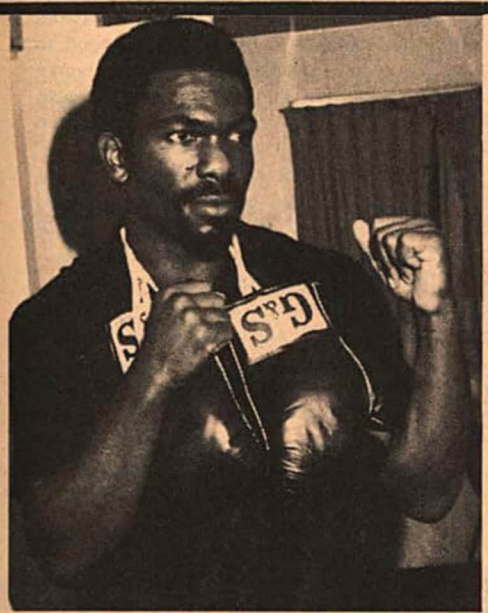


Lopez stands over Oguma in round two when Oguma went to the canvas from a right.



Portland, Oregon middleweight Mike Colbert won a unanimous 10 round decision over Cleveland's Casey Gacic, ending a strong comeback by Gacic.

GACIC'S COMEBACK STOPPED BY COLBERT

By ED SCULLEN

After a three year layoff from boxing, it looked as though Casey Gacic was on his way back after his draws with Mike Rossman and Christy Elliott recently.

BALTIMORE, MD. — Portland, Oregon, middleweight Mike Colbert, 162, punctured the comeback balloon of Cleveland's Casey Gacic, 166½, by winning a unanimous 10-round decision recently at Painter's Mill Dinner theater before 1,100 fans. After a three-year layoff, Gacic had appeared to be on his way to great things following draws with Mike Rossman and Christy Elliott.

Gacic, an eccentric battler who refuses to use a stool between rounds, met an equally eccentric fighter in Colbert, who seems to shamble all over the ring, throwing powerful loose-limbed shots from all directions. This was Colbert's fourth 10-rounder in his short 13-bout career, but he had obviously learned his trade well in a prior amateur career of 211 bouts.

Colbert exhibited a rapier-like left and a seldom-seen, but extremely effective right upper cut. Gacic's usual charging, swarming style was completely muffled against these tactics. Both fighters were cut; Gacic over the left eye in round three, while Colbert emerged with a small cut over the right eye and an inch and a half gash just over the left eyelid, both occurring in the late rounds. The scoring: Judge Joe Bunsa 50-43; judge Harry Cecchini 50-43; and referee Tom Kelley 50-40 all for Colbert.

Professional Boxing Club, Mike Lasky promoter, was nfortunately bucking two handicaps in its second Painter's Mill show. First, there was an unaccountably inadequate publicity campaign mounted only three days before the show. The other negative factor was the broadcasting of tornado warnings by local radio and TV just 30 minutes prior to fight time. The announced gate was $11,000.

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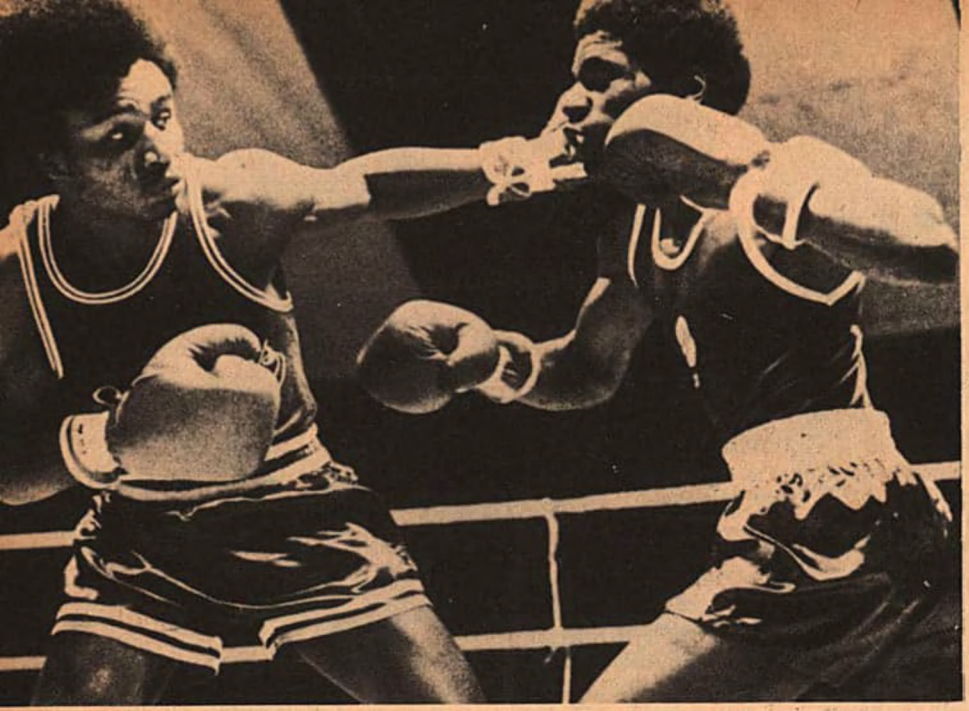
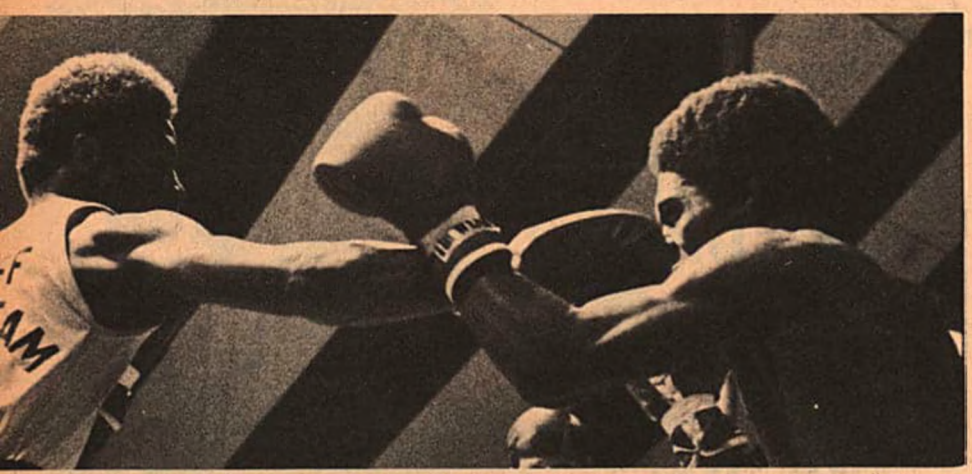


Alvin Fowler, left, of St. Louis, tries to hold back an onrushing Davie Armstrong, of Las Vegas, in the course of their 125 pound class bout. Armstrong beat Fowler and went on to defeat David Toomer, Lafayette, with a second round KO, to win his class.



Knoxville's Clinton Jackson lands a solid right to the face of Fort Worth's Bruce Curry enroute to capturing a unanimous decision in the 147 pound class. This is Jackson's third consecutive National Golden Gloves title in the same weight class, an unprecedented accomplishment.

1976 National Golden Gloves Tournament; Eleven Qualify For Olympic Trials

By LEW MATUSOW

MIAMI — For some of the amateur boxers competing in the 1976 National Golden Gloves Boxing Tournament of Champions in the Orange Bowl the grueling competition was a dream come true.

But for others, the ordeal was a dream-shatterer.

The 352 amateur fighters, representing 32 Golden Gloves franchises who arrived in Miami, were all sure of one fact—that they would be the champion in their weight class and qualify for the Olympic trials in Cincinnati, Ohio.

Yet only 11 of the boxers could qualify from this tournament, leaving the rest scrambling to try to win and qualify in the AAU or East-West boxing tournaments.

The first two nights of the three-ring circus, complete with a tent covering the rings, were the most demanding, for the boxers who were winners each night had to fight again in the same evening. There were a few knockouts, but most of the scheduled 132 bouts went their full three-round limit, with boxing lasting until 3:15 a.m. By that time, however, only a few hundred of the original estimated crowd of 4,300 were on hand to see Cleveland's Michael Dokes and Miami's Woody Clark win their second match each; bouts that would eventually send the two into the finale against each other.

Although the first night's bouts went as expected, the second night, which featured bouts in the 112, 125, 139, 156, and 178 pound classes, was an upsetting one, particularly for Miami fight fans.

Richie Lee Roberts, the No. 10 ranked amateur light welterweight in the United States and one of the favorites of the second night crowd of 4,800, lost a unanimous decision to hard-charging Jorge Morales, of Los Angeles. Morales continually stalked the 18-year-old Roberts throughout the first round, not giving him the opportunity to use his jab. Morales floored Roberts twice dur-

ing the first two-minute period and, from then on, Roberts was unable to catch up on points.

In the 156-pound class, Knoxville, Tennessee's Willie Taylor pulled off the tournament's biggest upset as he gained a split decision over heavily favored Charles Walker, of Las Vegas.

The third night of the tournament, fought in two rings, had only one "upset," as "Sugar" Ray Leonard, of Washington, D.C., considered America's top Olympic hope, withdrew from the tournament due to a severe cut inside his mouth received during the first night's action. Leonard's coaches advised him to drop out of the competition and not risk further injury.

From then on, the tournament went as expected, with lightweight Aaron Pryor of Indianapolis, Indiana, 147-pounds and Clinton Jackson, of Knoxville, Tennessee, marching relentlessly toward their respective titles.

Meanwhile Dokes and Clark kept up a winning pace toward their fateful meeting.

In Saturday afternoon's semi-finals, Pryor nearly made a stiff of St. Louis's Ben Stiff in gaining a unanimous decision, while Jackson gained a unanimous nod over Syracuse, N.Y.'s, Mark Cheers.

In the meantime, Dokes gained a split decision over Louisville's Greg Page, and Clark won a unanimous decision over Ken Blanks, of Kansas City.

The match had been set up. The boxer (Dokes) against the relentless puncher (Clark). And more than 7,000 fans, a Florida amateur boxing record, flocked to the Orange Bowl to witness the final act.

Before the heavyweight showdown, however, 1972 Olympian Davey Armstrong, of Las Vegas, who had a little trouble throughout the tournament, disposed of Lafayette's David Toomer in the 125-pound class as the referee stopped the contest at 1:54 of the first round.

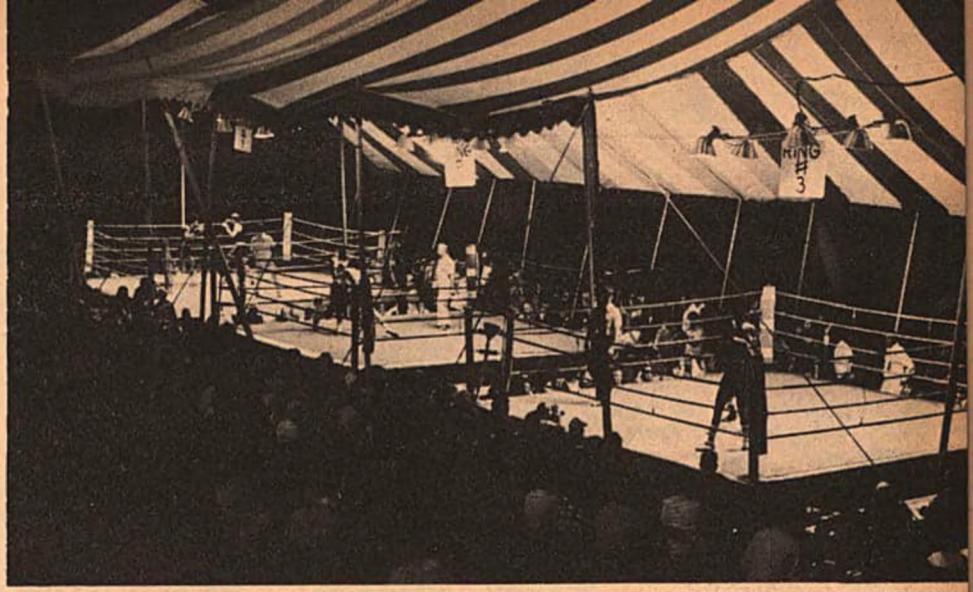
Following Armstrong's victory, Pryor captured his second straight Golden Gloves title by gaining a unanimous decision over Detroit's Tommy Hearns.

Two fights later, Jackson, 1974 and 1975 national Golden Gloves and AAU champion, the only man ever to gain back-to-back titles two years in a row in the same weight class, set another record as he won a unanimous decision over overmatched Bruce Curry. That win gave Knoxville the team championship as they dethroned two-time champion Columbus, Ohio. St. Louis finished second.

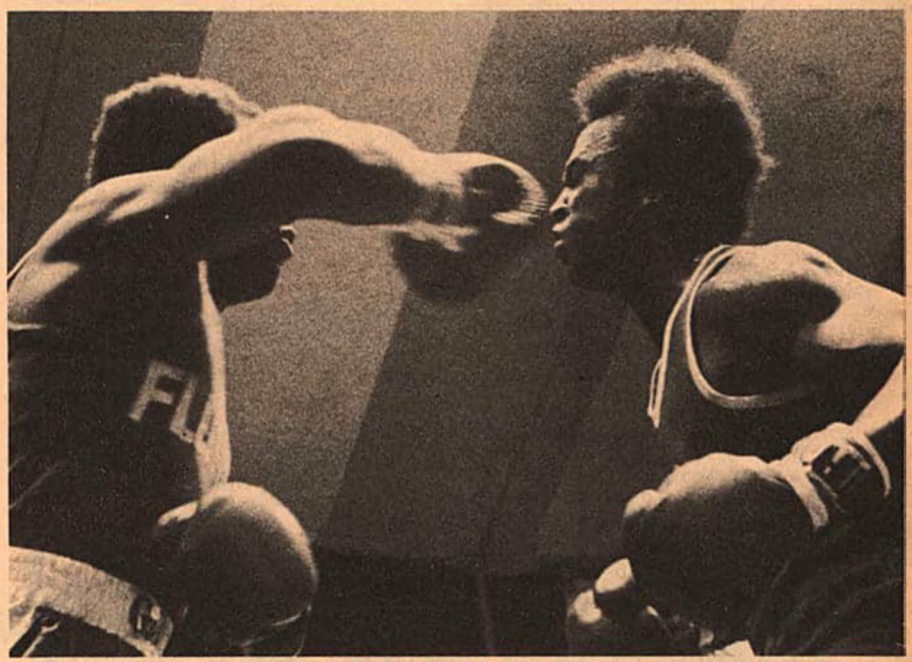
And although interested in the meaningful bouts, the crowd seemed restless as they waited for Clark, the No. 3 ranked amateur heavyweight in the United States, to meet the No. 1 amateur heavyweight, Dokes.

Soon, with the crowd stirring, the two heavyweights stepped into the ring. When Clark's name was introduced the enthusiastic, partisan crowd screamed as if the Dolphins had just scored the winning touchdown.

When the hammer hit the bell to start the bout everyone had been waiting for, Dokes started jabbing Clark, and the Miami boxer answered by ducking most of the jabs, moving inside and scoring with vicious body blows.



In order to pare down the 352 amateur fighters to 22 finalists for the Miami National Golden Gloves tournament, three rings were in use simultaneously. The huge tent used to protect boxers from possible rain gave the proceedings an atmosphere of a three ring circus.



A crowd of more than 7,000 witnessed the grand finale, in which number 1 rated amateur heavyweight Michael Dokes, right, Cleveland, met and beat number 3 ranked Woody Clark, Miami, left. Clark plans on entering the National AAU trials in the hopes of winning a place on the U.S. Olympic team.

As the fight moved on through the last half of the second and the third rounds, Clark began to tire, while Dokes, although himself tired, kept jabbing and scoring valuable points. Towards the end, Clark scored with right hands to the head which brought the crowd to its feet. Dokes, however, kept jabbing and sticking his left hand in Clark's face, and although they didn't have the power of Clark's punches, they were landing more frequently, and that's what counts in amateur boxing.

Dokes's jabs paid off as the 18-year-old carbon copy of Muhammad Ali, in both boxing style and brashness, captured a split decision, giving him the Golden Gloves title he had dreamed of.

For Clark, a dream was shattered, yet, as he told reporters afterwards, "I'm not through yet. I proved I could fight with the best. I'm still going to win the AAU and the trials and go to Montreal. You can count on that."

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Louis Curtis, 106, Washington, defeated Israel Acosta, 106, Milwaukee: split decision.

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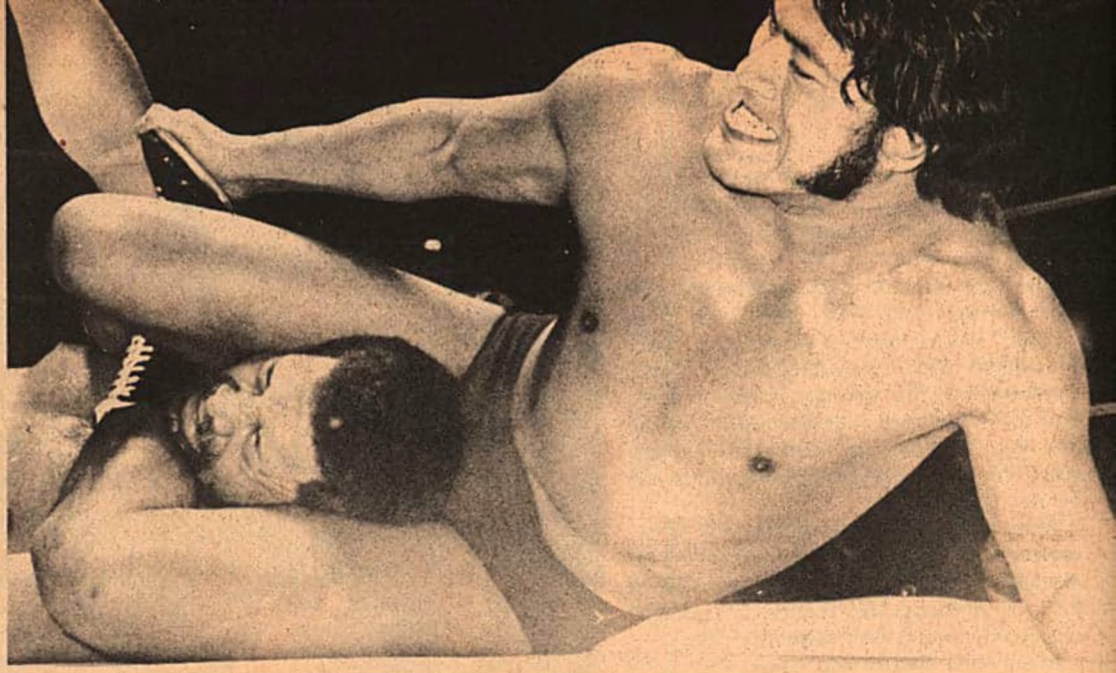


(Right) Antonio Inoki, Japanese grappler who here has a head lock on Earnie Ladd, will shortly meet heavyweight Muhammad Ali in Tokyo. (Below) Ali reels off some verse predictions of his match with Inoki for some prison workers and their families during a visit to the Federal Correctional Institution.

Ali Joins Easy-Money Boys In Mixed Match

By DAN DANIEL

THIS man Muhammad Ali could pick up a million dollars whistling "Yankee Doodle" in Madison Square Garden.

His latest exploit is good for a million in Japan for engaging the Nippon wrestling champion Inoki in Tokyo.

Mr. Muhammad is plain magic. When George Foreman took on five heavies in Toronto his act drew the ridicule of the sports writers. Send Ali into a ring with a Japanese wrestler and the act is hailed as a most interesting curiosity.

The main objective of the match is cited as an effort, once again, to demonstrate whether a fighter can beat a grappler, or a wrestler has to be an odds on favorite against a puncher.

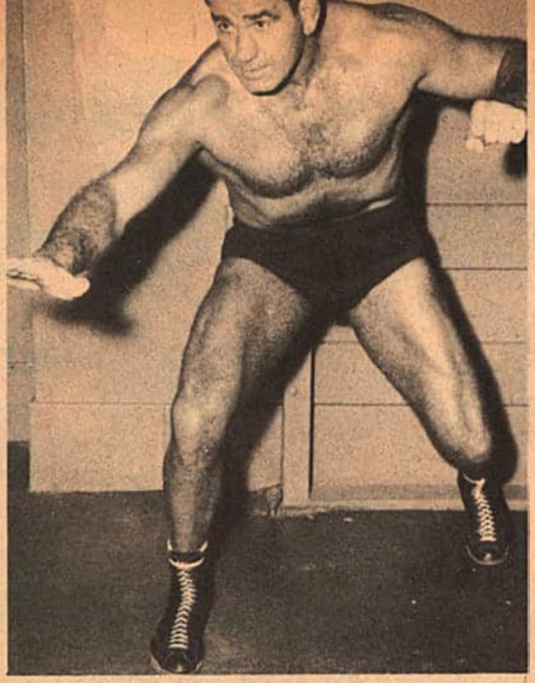
This mixed match business goes a long way back.

Most of these battles have resulted in victories for fighters. But there have been surprising successes for disciples of the headlock, scissors, half nelson, and Londos whirl.

The debate between the fighter and wrestler is said to have been initiated by the fiddling Roman emperor Nero, who infested the Roman Coliseum from 54 to 65 A.D.

Nero, who was strong for his stable of fighters wearing the cestus, challenged the wrestlers of Greece. There was no response. Both the grapplers and the cestus heroes of the time did not know what a draw was like. It was a case of fighting to the end in either "sport." The question as to whether a fighter could beat a wrestler hit the sports pages at the time of Milo, who was reputed to be the greatest wrestler of all time. The grappler from Crotona won his first title in 511 B.C. and took his first Olympic title as a young man.

The records prove that not only did



Former heavyweight champion Jersey Joe Walcott (above left) met top wrestler Lou Thesz (above center) inside the roped square on August 15, 1963, in Memphis, Tennessee. Thesz pinned Walcott in round three.

women witness the Olympic bouts, but female grapplers also participated in the competitions, furnishing a precedent for California, which recently passed a regulation permitting women to engage in fights.

Many fighters went into wrestling after they had discarded the gloves. There was, for one, Primo Carnera and for another, Joe Louis. Oddly enough, after years of battling in the ring, Louis found wrestling too strenuous and had to quit.

Gus Ruhlin, heavyweight, engaged in quite a few mixed matches, two with wrestler Ernest Rober, in the ancient Madison Square Garden.

Jack Dempsey and Joe Louis engaged in a few mixed matches for easy pickups in easy time.

Among the more famous heavyweights who fought members of the grappling gentry was Bob Fitzsimmons.

While the Freak was training for the Corbett fight at Carson City he took on Ernest Roeber at $5 for a look-see.

They squared off, Fitz landed on Ernest's jaw and the great match was finished.

Agramonte, the Cuban heavyweight, engaged in two battles with wrestlers, and the fighter lost on both occasions.

There is a definite technique for the fighter in a mixed match. His job is to act fast, not to give the grappler a chance to get a specialty hold on his opponent.

Quite a few of the great wrestlers would not accept a mixed match. It was not dig-

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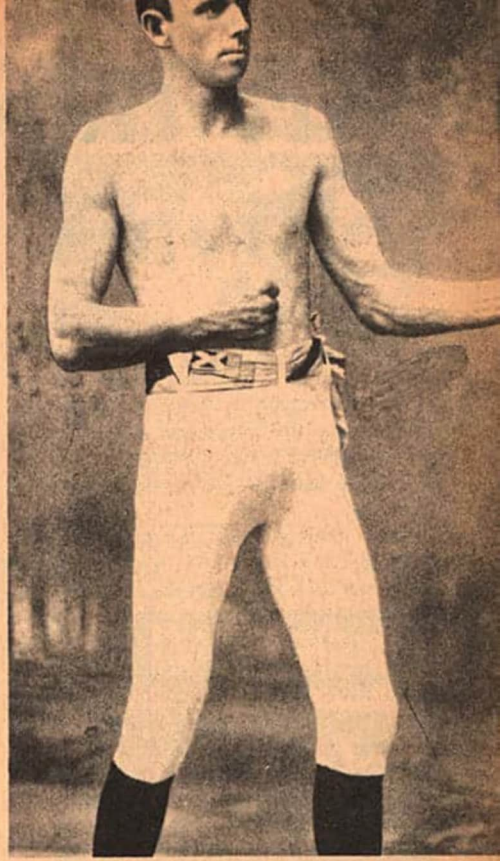
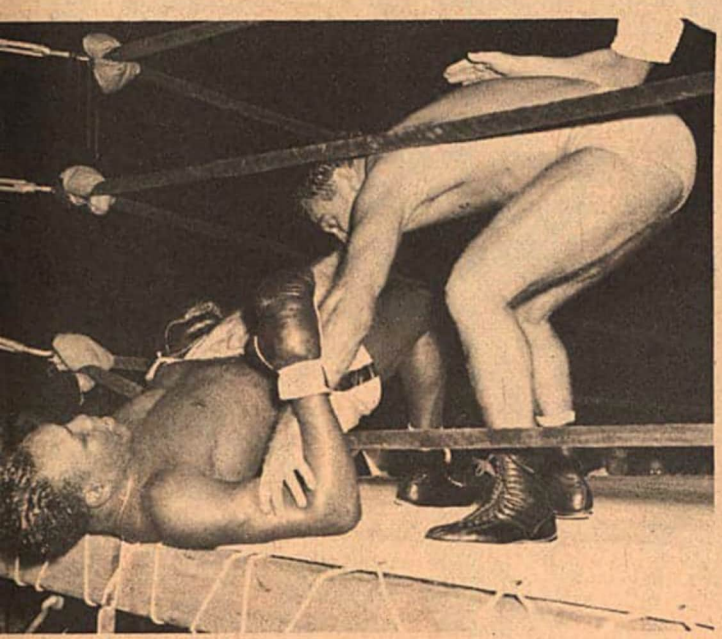


The first mixed match result available is that of the brief battle between Bob Fitzsimmons (above) and Ernest Roeber (below) in 1897. Fitz was training for his upcoming title bout with Corbett, and took on Roeber as a whim. One punch to Roeber's head ended the affair.



September 11, 1952, saw heavyweight boxer Omelio Agramonte, Cuba, square off against wrestler Marvin Mercer in Jersey City for five rounds. Mercer, here seen over Agramonte, who was thrown through the ropes, was named the winner by referee Tony Zale.

Art Hafey Accuses "126" Rivals Of Dodging Him

By JESS HERNANDEZ

LOS ANGELES, CALIF. — 24 year old Art Hafey, a native of Nova Scotia, punches like a welterweight, is unbeaten in two years and has rung up 15 straight ring triumphs. Art is a classy boxer-puncher who is top rated in the featherweight ranks yet can't get a title shot.

Before climbing the top rung of the 126-pound division Hafey won and lost in two torrid matches with Ruben Olivares. He kayoed Olivares in five rounds and lost a disputed 10 round decision to Olivares in the Forum Boxing Club. Despite being sidetracked from landing a championship bout, Art remains confident of signing for a world title clash with either Dave Kotey or WBA titlist Alexis Arguello. Most recently Hafey won a unanimous decision over Mexico's David Sotelo in a six round bout in Los Angeles.

Ranked the No. 1 contender for the 135-pound division by RING MAGAZINE, Hafey's latest defeat was administered by ranking featherweight Famoso Gomez in Mexicali, Mexico, in December 1974.

"I feel I've been ready to fight for the title for the past two years," lamented Art. "But in retrospect, I'm kind of glad I didn't get a title shot. Because I'm even more ready now. Everything didn't fall into place until about a year ago. That was when I knocked out Alfredo Mercano (ex-champion) in Venezuela. Before that, I was busy ridding myself of the bad habits I had before

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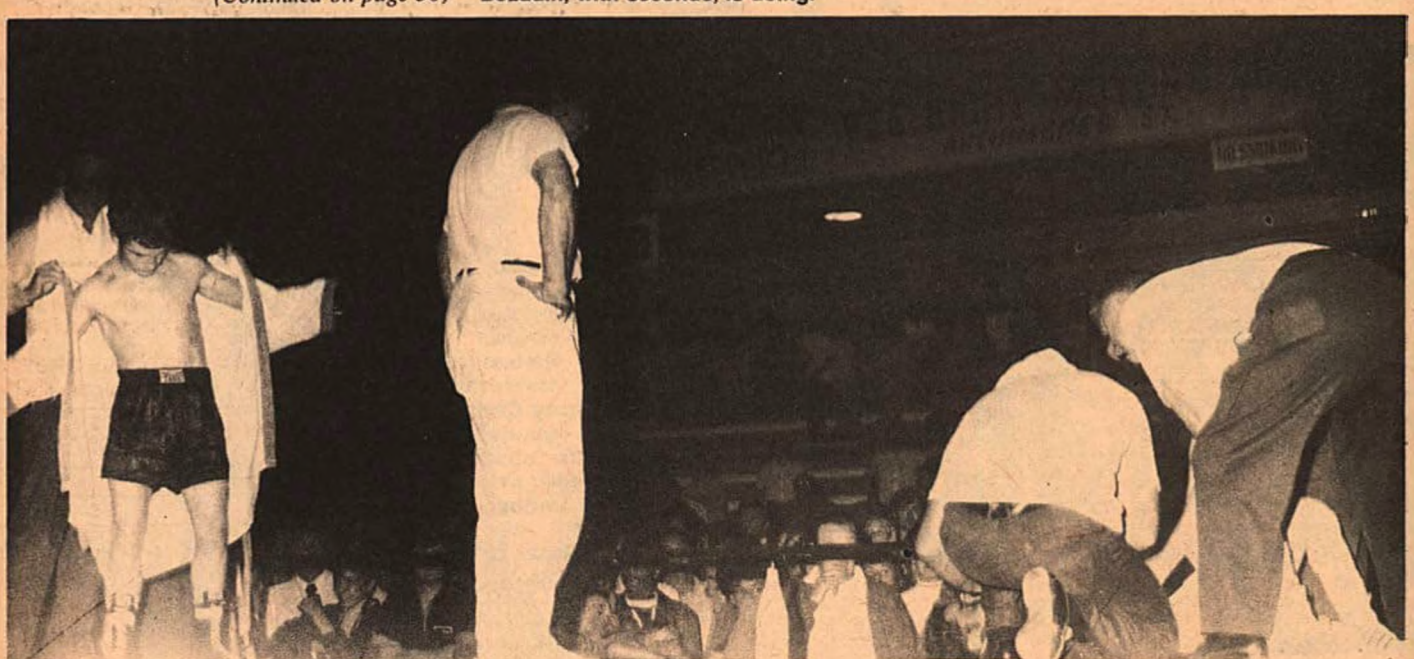

(Above) Nova Scotia's Art Hafey poses with manager Al Bachman, left, and trainer Burke Emery, right, after one of Hafey's workouts. (Below) Hafey is helped into his robe by Bachman as referee Gary Simon sees how one of Art's KO victims, Fernand Beaudin, with seconds, is doing.

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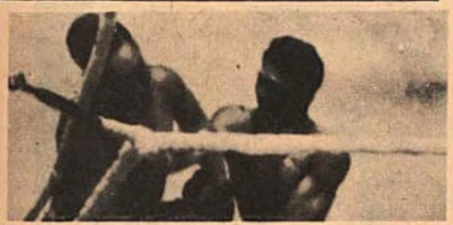

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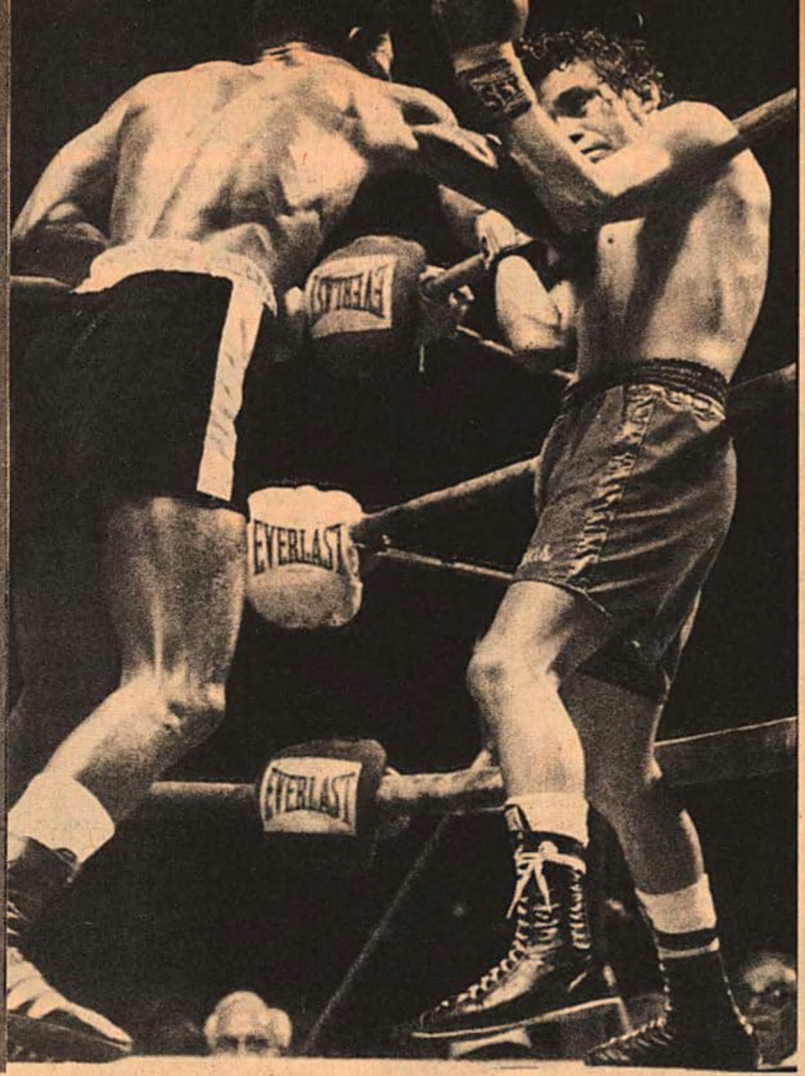
September 20, 1975, Inglewood, California—Ghana's David Kotey works on Mexico's Ruben Olivares, then WBC featherweight champion, as he is backed into the ropes. Kotey won a 15 round split decision to take the title from Olivares.



KOTEY TOLD CORNER HE HAD OLIVARES AFTER FIRST

By ROBERT MOSS

LOS ANGELES — In the dressing room before he was to meet Ruben Olivares for the World Boxing Council featherweight title, David (Poison) Kotey and his handlers weren't doing much talking.

The fighter studied critically his superbly conditioned body in a full-length mirror. Trainer, Chicky Ferrara was attaching wine-colored gloves at the ends of the fighter's sinewy arms. He was grinning, as if at some secret joke which was lost on the handful of others in the hospital-corridor solemn room.

The door opened and someone poked his head in with the traditional message that several thousand spectators and Ruben Olivares were awaiting David Kotey's pleasure.

Kotey crammed his hand into the remaining glove and thumped the leather meaningfully against the other.

As the small party made its way from the room to the long corridor leading to the ring, a hanger-on, hoping to say something memorable to the little man who within minutes would be engaged in the most important fight of his life, reached for Kotey's gloved hands and said, "Next time I see you, you will be the champion."

Kotey did not seem to hear him, but just as he passed out the door he smiled broadly and said to no one in particular, "That's right."

Then out of earshot of the challenger, the turncoat whispered out of the side of his mouth to Ralph Gambina, the veteran boxing man who along with Ferrara had been acquired to augment the men from Ghana who made up Kotey's team, "Do you think this kid has a chance?"

Gambina, whose perpetually worried look was as much a feature of the pre-fight drama as Ferrara's grin, grunted and moved heavily out of the room.

Minutes later Kotey's lighly regarded left hook flashed through the night and Ruben Olivares and his usual retinue of fanatics and worshippers knew that this was not to be one of the great veteran Mexican battler's more shining nights.

The hook dropped Olivares in the first round, and some three minutes later Kotey, as if to show the knockdown was no illusion, put Olivares on the canvas again with his best punch, a quick, countering straight right.

Thirteen more rounds passed, most of them dominated by Kotey, and then the better part of an hour passed while Olivares's supporters took out their disappointment at the almost sure defeat by their champion in a minor riot, before it was learned that David Kotey was indeed the new WBC champion.

There were no histrionics in Kotey's corner after the fight. In fact, he and Olivares both had to race from the ring as the fans went on a rampage. His hand was not even raised in the traditional manner.

The result, a split-decision verdict, was flashed on the Forum scoreboard while the final bout of the evening was in progress. It marked just one more instance where Kotey seemed to be short-changed by the city of Los Angeles.

The day after the bout the new champion was surrounded by a klatsch of reporters. He wore a pair of grey slacks and a shirt of the same color, both of which seemed too large for him, so that with his magnificent physique concealed he looked almost frail. The writers verbally bobbed and weaved looking for an opening to the figher's seemingly bland personna. Eager questions were answered in a few words by Kotey. The interview obviously was not

going fluidly. As Kotey began to fidget and look bored a writer asked in desperation, "Do you feel any different now that you are the champion?"

"Did you feel any different the day after you had turned twenty-one," shot back Kotey; the writer had a flash back to the surprisingly quick hands which had darted through the hot Los Angeles night hours before and started Olivares back to the ranks of non-champion prize fighters.

"David is very quiet," explained one of his handlers. "Getting answers out of him is like drawing water out of a stone."

With effort we finally learned of the full implications of Kotey's victory not only over Olivares, but also over L.A., a city which seemed to have it in for him.

Kotey had been very lightly regarded before the fight. Everyone who saw him seemed to find something wrong. He was too slow. He was mechanical. He did not know how to follow up a left hook. His balance was bad. He was not aggressive.

The odds favoring Olivares at 3-1 seemed justified. Ruben, perhaps the hardest punching fighter ever for his size had been extremely impressive in regaining the title with a quick knockout of Bobby Chacon.

What the boxing establishment in Los Angeles did not know was that it was by design that Kotey came to be such a definite underdog.

His battle with the city began a year earlier when he came to

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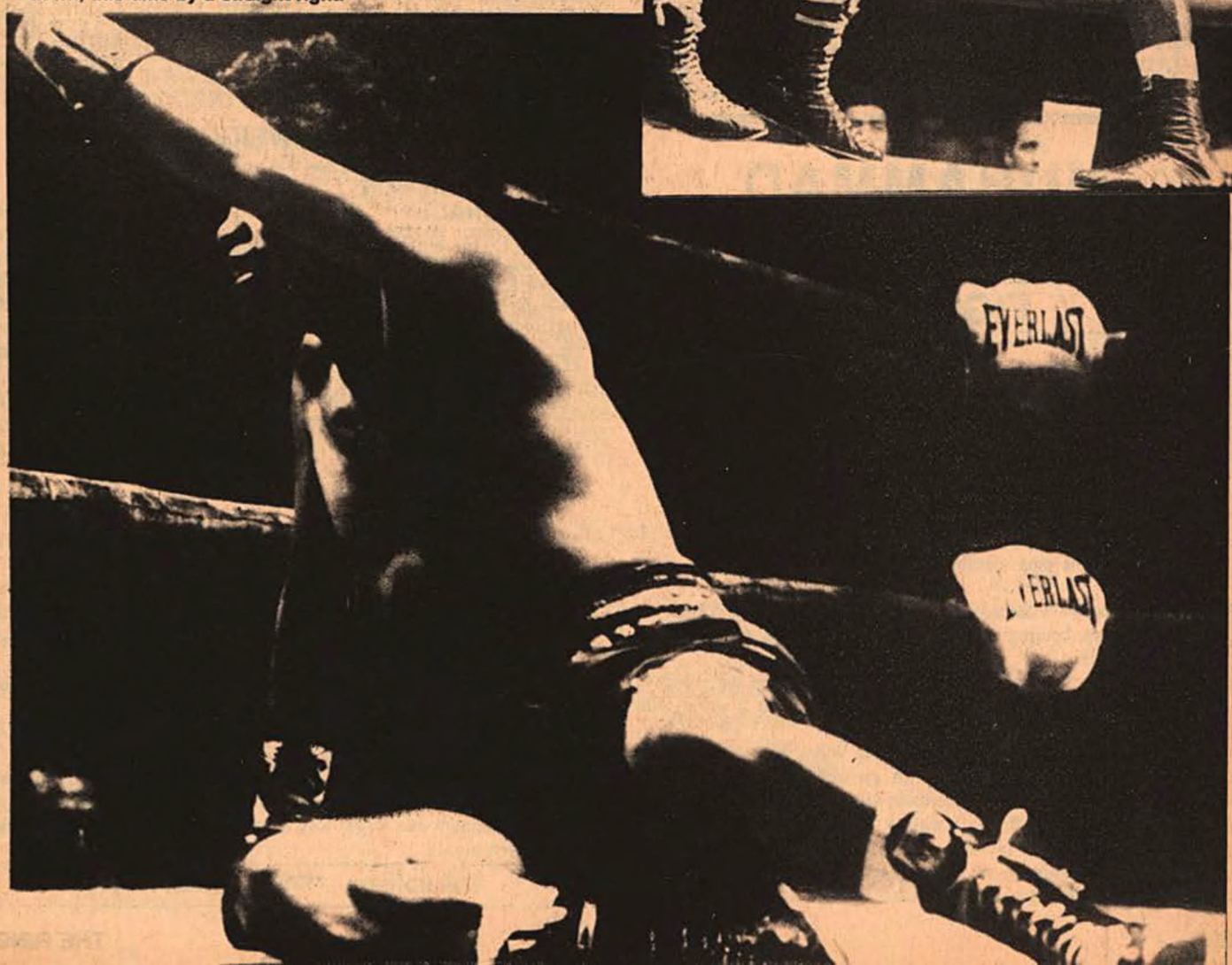

(Above right) Olivares lands a hard left to Kotey's head which snaps his head back during the middle rounds when it looked as though Olivares might make up for Kotey's early lead in the fight. (Below) Olivares is down in round one from a left hook thrown by Kotey. Shortly afterwards Olivares was again put down, this time by a straight right.

WORLD RATINGS

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HEAVYWEIGHTS
(over 175 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION

MUHAMMAD ALI ..... Chicago, Ill.
1—KEN NORTON ..... San Diego, Calif.
2—GEORGE FOREMAN† ..... Houston, Texas
3—JOE FRAZIER ..... Philadelphia, Pa.
4—JIMMY YOUNG ..... Philadelphia, Pa.
5—DUANE BOBICK ..... Bowlus, Minn.
6—JOHNNY BOUDREAUX ..... Houston, Texas
7—LARRY HOLMES ..... Easton, Pa.
8—RON LYLE ..... Denver, Colo.
9—EARNIE SHAVERS ..... Warren, Ohio
10—CHUCK WEPNER ..... Bayonne, N.J.

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS
(not over 175 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
TITLE VACANT

1—VICTOR GALINDEZ* ..... Argentina
2—LEN HUTCHINS† ..... Detroit, Mich.
3—RICHIE KATES ..... Brighton, N.J.
4—TOM BETHEA ..... New York, N.Y.
5—JOHN CONTEH** ..... England
6—BOBBY CASSIDY ..... Levittown, N.Y.
7—ALVARO LOPEZ ..... Stockton, Calif.
8—MATE PARLOV ..... Yugoslavia
9—DOMENICO ADINOLFI ..... Italy
10—JESSIE BURNETT ..... Los Angeles, Calif.

MUHAMMAD ALI
FIGHTER OF THE MONTH

MIDDLEWEIGHTS
(not over 160 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION

CARLOS MONZON* ..... Argentina
1—RODRIGO VALDEZ** ..... Colombia
2—VITO ANTUOFERMO ..... Italy
3—WILLIE MONROE ..... Philadelphia, Pa.
4—JEAN MATEO ..... France
5—TONY LICATA† ..... New Orleans, La.
6—BENNIE BRISCOE ..... Philadelphia, Pa.
7—MIKE COLBERT ..... Portland, Ore.
8—BOBBY WATTS ..... Philadelphia, Pa.
9—RAY SEALES ..... Tacoma, Wash.
10—LOUCIF HAMANI ..... France

JUNIOR MIDDLEWEIGHTS
(not over 154 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION

KOICHI WAJIMA* ..... Japan
1—ELISHA OBED** ..... Nassau, Bahamas
2—MAURICE HOPE ..... England
3—MIGUEL CAMPANINO ..... Argentina
4—GENE WELLS ..... Orlando, Fla.
5—JAE DO YUH ..... South Korea
6—ROCKY MATTIOLI ..... Australia
7—BRUNO ARCARI ..... Italy
8—MIKE BAKER† ..... Washington, D.C.
9—KEITH AVERETT ..... Akron, Ohio
10—JUAREZ de LIMA ..... Brazil

WELTERWEIGHTS
(not over 147 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION

JOHN STRACEY** ..... England
1—ANGEL ESPADA* ..... Puerto Rico
2—CLYDE GRAY ..... Canada
3—PETE RANZANY ..... Sacramento, Calif.
4—ARMANDO MUNIZ† ..... Los Angeles, Calif.
5—JOSE NAPOLES ..... Mexico
6—CARLOS PALOMINO ..... Los Angeles, Calif.
7—JOHNNY GANT ..... Washington, D.C.
8—HAROLD WESTON ..... New York, N.Y.
9—FAUSTO RODRIGUEZ ..... Dominican Rep.
10—ADOLPH VIRUET ..... Puerto Rico

BOXING in the past month, the world over, produced no earth shaking news.

RING raters made Muhammad Ali the Fighter of the Month on the basis of his beating Jimmy Young in defense of the world heavyweight title.

Looking over the various candidates for runner-up we discover Jr. lightweight contender Sam Serrano, who fought a draw with Ben Villaflor, the champion of the division.

In third place for the month's laurels is WBA light heavyweight Victor Galindez, who came up with victories over Harold Skog (KO in 3) and Jessie Burnett (points in 10).

Alfonso Zamora, Alfredo Escalera, and Alfonso Lopez completed the top six of the month.

There was a change in the heavyweight ratings which sent Larry Holmes, Johnny Boudreaux and Duane Bobick up to 4 for Duane, 5 Holmes, and 6 Boudreaux. Jimmy Young dropped to No. 7, Lyle No. 8, with Shavers and Wepner in 9 and 10.

It would stir things up if the position of John Conteh, the WBC light heavy champion, were clarified. He has been sidelined with injuries, and alarmists say that he will not fight again. This throws a stronger spotlight on Galindez, the WBA title holder.

Warfare has stirred up in the middleweight division with Carlos Monzon involved with Rodrigo Valdez.

In the junior middles there is an interesting change at No. 2, with England's Maurice Hope appearing at No. 2.

Gene Hart and George Cooper have been dropped from the middleweight ratings.

Loucif Hamani and Sugar Ray Seales have worked their way into the vacated places.

Champions: *WBA **WBC †U.S.

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JUNIOR WELTERWEIGHTS
(not over 140 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION

WILFREDO BENITEZ* ..... Puerto Rico
1—SHENGSAK MUANGSURIN** ..... Thailand
2—ANTONIO CERVANTES ..... Colombia
3—HECTOR THOMPSON ..... Australia
4—MONROE BROOKS† ..... Los Angeles, Calif.
5—LOU BIZZARRO ..... Erie, Pa.
6—NICOLINO LOCHE ..... Argentina
7—CEMAL KAMACIA ..... Austria
8—ESTEBAN DeJESUS ..... Puerto Rico
9—CARLOS GIMINEZ ..... Argentina
10—SAOUL MAMBY ..... Puerto Rico

LIGHTWEIGHTS
(not over 135 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION

ROBERTO DURAN* ..... Panama
1—ISHIMATSU SUZUKI** ..... Japan
2—VILOMAR FERNANDEZ ..... Dominican Rep.
3—RAY LAMPKIN† ..... Portland, Ore.
4—VICENTE SALDIVAR ..... Mexico
5—JAVIER AYALA ..... Los Angeles, Calif.
6—HECTOR MEDINA ..... Puerto Rico
7—ANGEL MAYORAL ..... Las Vegas, Nev.
8—JEAN-BAPTISTE PIEDVACHE ..... France
9—HUGO BARRAZA ..... Colombia
10—EDWIN VIRUET ..... Puerto Rico

JUNIOR LIGHTWEIGHTS
(not over 130 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION

BEN VILLAFLOR* ..... Philippines
1—SAMUEL SERRANO ..... Puerto Rico
2—ALFREDO ESCALERA** ..... Puerto Rico
3—TYRONE EVERETT† ..... Philadelphia, Pa.
4—RONNIE McGARVEY ..... Hillcrest, Md.
5—APOLLO YOSHIO ..... Japan
6—WALTER SEELEY ..... New York, N.Y.
7—SVEN-ERIC PAULSEN ..... Norway
8—BLAKEY MATTHEWS ..... South Africa
9—RAY LUNNY III ..... San Francisco, Calif.
10—JEROME ARTIS ..... Philadelphia, Pa.

FEATHERWEIGHTS
(not over 126 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION

ALEXIS ARGUELLO* ..... Nicaragua
1—ART HAFEY ..... Canada
2—DAVID KOTEY POISON** ..... Ghana
3—DANNY LOPEZ† ..... Los Angeles, Calif.
4—ELIO COTINA ..... Italy
5—LIONEL HERNANDEZ ..... Venezuela
6—RIGOBERTO RIASCO ..... Panama
7—OCTAVIO GOMEZ ..... Mexico
8—SHIG FUKUYAMA ..... Japan
9—ARNOLD TAYLOR ..... South Africa
10—RUBEN OLIVARES ..... Mexico

BANTAMWEIGHTS
(not over 118 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION

ALFONSO ZAMORA* ..... Mexico
1—RODOLFO MARTINEZ** ..... Mexico
2—CARLOS ZARATE ..... Mexico
3—WILFREDO GOMEZ ..... Puerto Rico
4—EUSEBIO PEDROZA ..... Panama
5—SOO HWAN HONG ..... South Korea
6—PAUL FERRERI ..... Australia
7—PADDY MAGUIRE ..... Ireland
8—DANIEL TROULAIRE ..... France
9—HELENO FERRIERA ..... Brazil
10—LEO CRUZ ..... Dominican Rep.

FLYWEIGHTS
(not over 112 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION

MIGUEL CANTO** ..... Mexico
1—ALFONSO LOPEZ* ..... Panama
2—BETULIO GONZALEZ ..... Venezuela
3—IGNACIO ESPINAL ..... Dominican Rep.
4—LUIS ESTABE ..... Venezuela
5—JAIME RIOS ..... Panama
6—ERBITO SALAVARRIA ..... Philippines
7—FRANCO SPERTI ..... Italy
8—ALBERTO MORALES ..... Mexico
9—PABLO JIMINEZ ..... Dominican Rep.
10—FRANCO UDELLA ..... Italy

PROSPECTS FOR THE MONTH

NAMES	Pro Debut	Total Bouts	Won	Lost	Draws	KO's
HEAVYWEIGHT						
Kevin Isaacs, Brooklyn, N.Y.	9/73	12	8	3	1	3
LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHT						
Eddie Davis, Brooklyn, N.Y.	9/75	4	4	0	0	3
MIDDLEWEIGHT						
Jose Elias, Bronx, N.Y.	6/74	7	5	1	1	1
WELTERWEIGHT						
Rick Folstadt, Minneapolis, Minn.	1/75	6	6	0	0	1
LIGHTWEIGHT						
Santiago Valdez, Chicago, Ill.	8/75	6	6	0	0	5
FEATHERWEIGHT						
Young Casanova, Portland, Ore.	9/74	9	6	2	1	1
BANTAMWEIGHT						
Frank Estrada, Los Angeles, Calif.	5/75	4	4	0	0	2
FLYWEIGHT						
Martin Vargas, Chile	4/75	8	8	0	0	5

Dutch Sam (Samuel Elias), who lived from 1808-1843 and fought as a welterweight in England, was elected to The Pioneers group of The Hall of Fame.

SIX INDUCTED IN THE RING HALL OF FAME

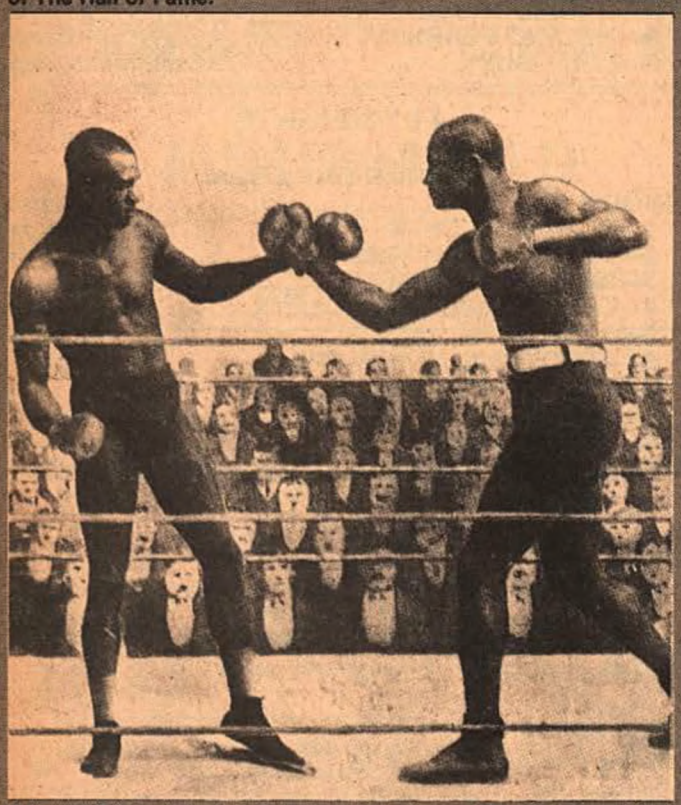
By NAT LOUBET

HOUSED in THE RING MAGAZINE offices in New York City is The Ring Museum and Boxing Hall of Fame which was inaugurated in 1954 by the late Nat Fleischer, publisher and editor of THE RING at the time.

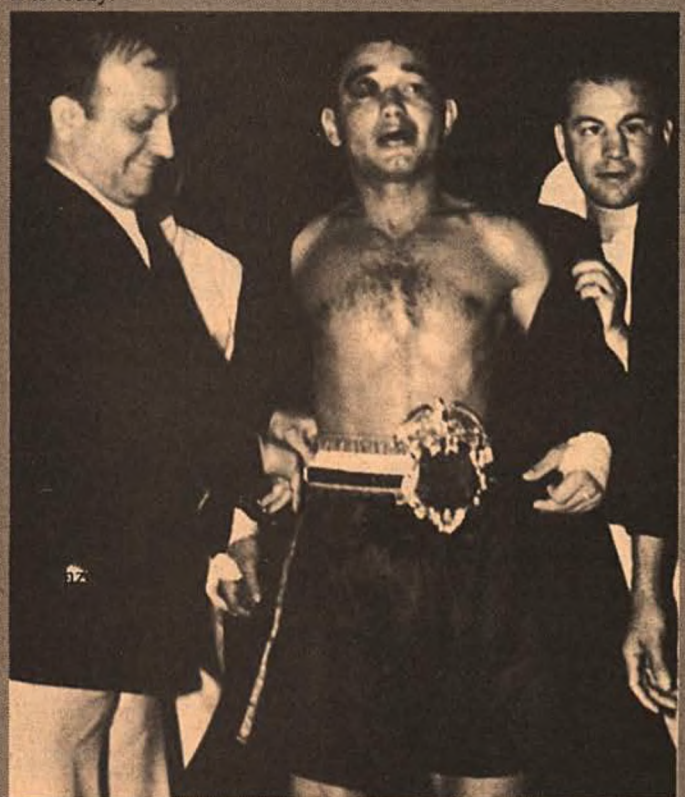
The 22nd poll elected men into three categories: The Pioneers, elected by the Board of Directors; The Oldtimers, fighters active 35 or more years ago, elected by a board made up of 20 boxing experts with a minimum of 15 votes necessary for election, and the third group is The Moderns, who are elected on the basis of a world-wide poll composed of members of the Fourth Estate, newscasters, television and radio sportcasters and others conversant with the sport.

To be eligible for The Moderns section of The Hall of Fame, a fighter must have been active within the past 35 years and be retired for two or more years. To gain admittance he must receive 75% or more of the total votes cast in his category.

For the first time since The Hall's inception a new group was opened in The Pioneer section for men who never fought professionally, but who have helped "pioneer" boxing to the world sport it is today.



(Above) Elected to the Oldtimers' category was The Dixie Kid (Aaron L. Brown), here seen, left, luring George Gunther into a charge. (Right) New entrant in The Pioneers, Nat Fleischer, honors Sixto Escobar upon the Puerto Rican's acquiring the world bantamweight title on August 31, 1936, with a thirteenth round KO over Tony Marino in New York. Escobar was elected into The Moderns category.



The first such man to be so honored is the late Nat Fleischer, known around the world as "Mr. Boxing." Fleischer, after years as a New York sport writer, sports editor of several newspapers et al., started THE RING MAGAZINE in 1922, and from his desk began a crusade to get rid of the nefarious characters in boxing and to gain for fighters a fair and better set of conditions under which to exhibit their skills.

He was constantly on the prowl to give the fans and his readers not only the best he could provide, but to protect the boxing fans from exploitation and allow them to see fights under proper conditions for the money they paid for their tickets.

The Hall of Fame Board elected one new fighter to The Pioneers, Young Dutch Sam.

The real name of the new entrant to The Pioneers was Samuel Elias, and he was born in London on January 30, 1808. His father went under the sobriquet of Dutch Sam and the pair have come down in boxing history as two of the best Jewish fighters to lace on gloves.

Young Dutch Sam, new Hall of Famer, was a welterweight who had his first bout when only 15 years of age, defeating Bill Dean in 45 minutes. His professional career actively began in 1825 and continued until 1838.

The other two men elected to The Moderns were Jackie Kid Berg (above left) and Joey Maxim (above right). Berg became Jr. welterweight champ on May 30, 1923, when he beat Johnny Dundee over 15 rounds in New York, but he will be remembered just as much for the titles he didn't win and the talent he fought. Maxim met 115 in the ring in his boxing career and held the light heavyweight title from January 24, 1950-December 17, 1952.

His record was unique in that he only had 11 fights against the best of his day but he won every fight he fought. He became a publican and enjoyed popularity up to the time of his passing on November 4, 1843.

The Oldtimer's committee elected only one new member to its category, Dixie Kid. Aaron L. Brown, known as The Dixie Kid, called Fulton, Missouri, his home. He was born at Fulton on December 22, 1883, and went from rags to riches. At the time of his death in Los Angeles on April 6, 1934, he was back where he had started from and a collection had to be made to save him from burial in a Potter's Field.

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1965 Owen Moran
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1970 Kid Williams
1970 Harry Wills
1971 Paul Berlenbach
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1974 George K.O. Chaney
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1954 Tom Sayers
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1954 John Morrissey
1954 Jem Mace
1955 William (Bendigo) Thompson
1956 Bill Richmond
1957 Peter Jackson
1958 Tom Molineaux
1959 John Gully
1960 Don Donnelly
1961 Tom Spring
1962 Ned Price
1963 Jem Ward
1964 Sam Collyer
1965 Jake Kilrain
1966 James (Deaf) Burke
1967 Barney (Young) Aaron
1968 Jacob Hyer
1969 Joe Goss
1970 Professor Mike Donovan
1971 Nobby Clark
1972 Tom Chandler
1973 Paddy Ryan
1974 Dick Curtis
1975 Nat Fleischer
1975 Young Dutch Sam

Peter Jackson, "The Black Prince," was Australian heavyweight champ prior to coming to the U.S.A. in 1888 to campaign for a title shot against Sullivan. Jackson looked so impressive in a 61 round draw with James J. Corbett, on May 21, 1891, that other fighters refused to fight him.

Politics, fear, greed, vanity and prejudice made these five feasible dream fights impossible.

By MICHAEL SILVER

HOW much money would you pay to see Dempsey vs. Louis, Jack Johnson vs. Ali, Sonny Liston vs. Rocky Marciano, or how about Stanley Kitchel vs. Harry Greb? Unfortunately, these super dream fights are quite impossible. After all that's all they can ever be—dream fights; impossible matchups that stir the fans' imagination and create countless hours of lively discussion and conjecture. Fate decreed that the aforementioned great boxers would not be active in the same era, and therefore the human race will never know for sure who would have won.

It is only rarely that we are fortunate enough to actually witness a super match-up, a wish fulfillment of the fight fans' dreams. Such dream fights occur because of the fact that every

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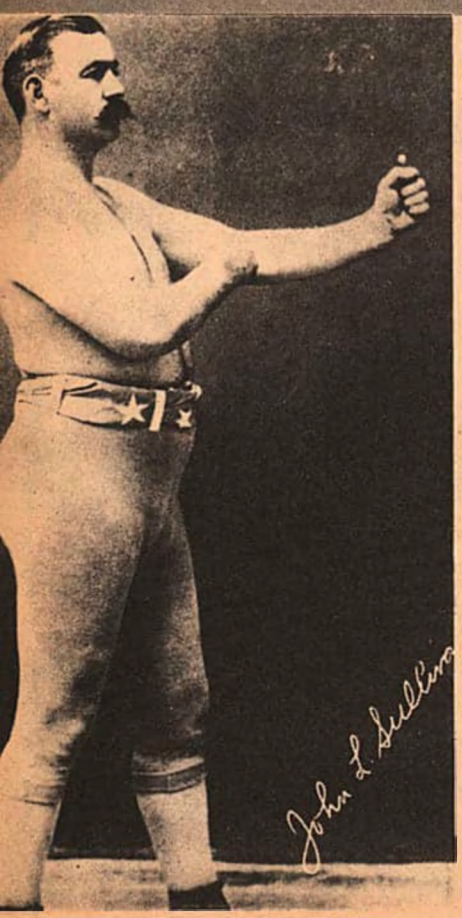


class and in the same ring. Who can ever forget the electricity and excitement generated by the first Frazier vs. Ali fight in 1971, the 1974 confrontation between welterweight champion Jose Napoles and middleweight champ Carlos Monzon, or the historic 1923 Greb vs. Walker epic? These great matches added significant chapters to boxing's already rich history.

Yet despite its colorful and romantic past, boxing was deprived of a handful of outstanding fights that could have and should have taken place. These classic confrontations would have involved some of the greatest fighters the world has ever seen, and because they did not take place, boxing and its fans ended up the real losers.

Now, you are probably asking yourself just what were these super dream fights that could have been but never were, and why didn't they happen in the first place? Good questions. And now for some answers. The following five matches are described in chronological order.

John L. Sullivan vs. Peter Jackson

"The Black Prince" vs. the "Boston Strong Boy" would have made a spectacular battle whether fought under London Prize Ring rules (bare knuckle and to a finish) or the recently introduced Marquis of Queensbury rules, which called for three minute rounds and two ounce gloves.

The match had its greatest appeal from 1888-1892. The reason given by Sullivan for avoiding Jackson caused no eyebrows to raise during that era: Sullivan simply drew the color line; he refused to fight a black man. However, behind the public statement was a private fear that more than a few suspected. Sullivan, despite his famous boast that he could lick any man in the house, knew that any encounter with Jackson would prove the toughest of this career. And the mere thought that the mighty John L. might lose his precious championship belt to a black man was indeed a nightmarish proposition.

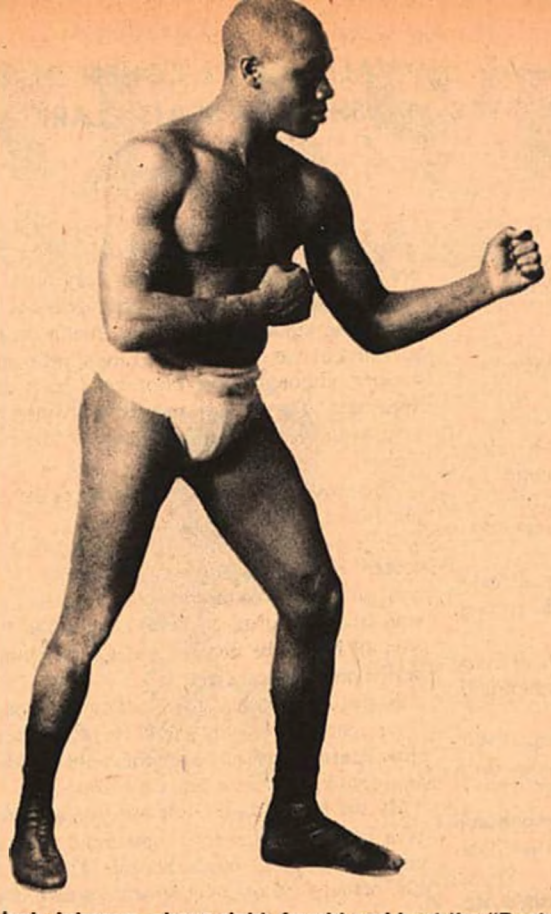
Peter Jackson, from Australia via the British West Indies, stood 6'1" tall and weighed a beautifully proportioned 195 lbs. Quick, agile, and a powerful right hand puncher, he, like his contemporary Jim Corbett, was ahead of his time in the science of boxing.

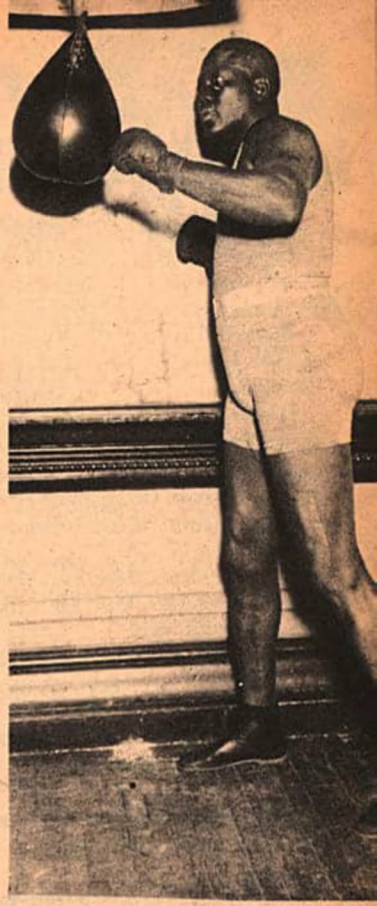
John L. Sullivan drew a color bar and refused to fight Peter Jackson, although the Australian was the leading contender from 1888-1892. At the time, no eyebrows were raised at John L's behavior, but the "Boston strong Boy's" reticence may well have been based as much on fear of losing his title as prejudice.

After winning the Australian heavyweight title, Jackson came to America during 1888 to campaign for a title shot against Sullivan. In the next two years he established himself as the leading contender with smashing victories over the world's top heavyweights. The only man left willing to fight him was a young speedster out of San Francisco named James J. Corbett. Their classic battle took place in San Francisco on May 21, 1891, and ended in a 61 round draw. Interestingly, it was probably his fight with Corbett that indirectly led to his downfall. Jackson looked so impressive that other fighters simply refused to fight him.

Unable to get Sullivan into a ring, or a subsequent rematch with Corbett, Jackson travelled the world in a futile attempt to get fights with the leading contenders. While on tour in London, Jackson contracted consumption and his physical decline was rapid. At the age of 37, sick and penniless, he attempted a comeback against young Jim Jeffries and was knocked out in three rounds on March 22, 1898. The end was near. He eventually died in Australia on July 13, 1901.

If the Sullivan-Jackson match had been made, say during 1889, the edge would have been with Jackson, who at the time was at his peak. Sullivan had been slipping ever since he won the title back in 1882. Booze and high living had begun to take their toll, but in 1889 he was still a formidable opponent and certainly no soft touch for Jackson. It would have been Sullivan's tremendous endurance and murderous right hand vs. Jackson's intelligent boxing and sharp hitting—and as we said before one helluva battle.





Jack Johnson, above right, fought and beat the "Boston Tar Baby," Sam Langford, above left, on April 26, 1906, in Chelsea, Massachusetts, over 15 rounds, but it was one of the hardest fights in Johnson's career, and he carefully avoided a rematch with Langford. What would have happened if the two men had fought at the peaks of their careers, say in 1910?

Jack Johnson vs. Sam Langford (Second fight)

Many experts are of the opinion that Jack Johnson was the greatest heavyweight of all time. Then why did he avoid a second meeting with Langford, a man Johnson said he had beaten soundly once before?

The appeal for the rematch had its beginnings when Johnson won a 15 round decision over the Boston Tar Baby in Chelsea, Massachusetts, on April 26, 1906. Johnson, although outweighing Langford by some 30 pounds, was reportedly knocked down (always denied by Johnson), and although he won the decision, carefully avoided Sam the rest of his career.

Now we had the odd situation of a black man refusing to fight another black man. In fact, the amazing Johnson drew his own color line and refused to defend his title against any of the leading black contenders, prefering instead to knock off the numerous "white hopes" that were sent against him in a desperate attempt to retrieve the "prestige" of the white race. Perhaps Johnson's reluctance to face any of the formidable black American heavyweights was due to the fact that during his rise to the top they had given him his toughest fights. Johnson's en-

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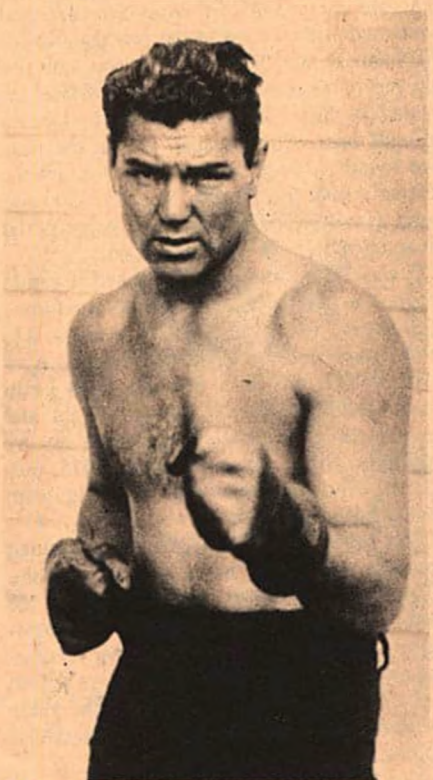

A Jack Dempsey-Harry Wills bout suffered for the Johnson era and its quest for a "white hope" to beat the flamboyant Jack Johnson. Dempsey, above left, would have fought anyone he was told to fight, but promoter Rickard feared the consequences of a fight with Wills, above right.

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Julio Rodriguez, 112, Hawaii, defeated Bobby Davis, 112, Jackson, Tennessee: unanimous decision.

Bernard Taylor, 119, Knoxville, defeated Wayne Lynumn, 119, Chicago: unanimous decision.

Davie Armstrong, 125, Las Vegas, defeated David Toomer, 125, Lafayette: referee stopped contest at 1:54 of second round.

Aaron Pryor, 132, Indianapolis, defeated Thomas Hearns, 132, Detroit: unanimous decision.

Ronnie Shields, 139, Fort Worth, defeated Lemuel Steeples, 139, Springfield, Illinois: unanimous decision.

Clinton Jackson, 147, Knoxville, defeated Bruce Curry, 147, Fort Worth: unanimous decision.

Don Carbin, 156, St. Louis, defeated Willie Taylor, 156, Knoxville: unanimous decision.

Michael Spinks, 165, St. Louis, defeated Lamont Kirkland, 165, Omaha: disqualification.

Rick Jester, 178, Detroit, defeated Reginald Phillips, 178, Los Angeles: referee stopped contest at 0.59 of first round.

Michael Dokes, (heavyweight), Cleveland, defeated Woody Clark, (heavyweight), Miami: split decision.

GALINDEZ WINS CLOSE ONE OVER BURNETT

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Los Angeles Jessie Burnett has been boxing only 4 years and has a record of 10-3-1, with 2 kayo's. His biggest claim to fame is two wins over Stockton's Alvaro Lopez, who is the W.B.C. top light heavyweight and is next in line with a title shot at their champion, England's John "broken-hand" Conteh.

The contest itself was a good affair, starting with Burnett boxing and Galindez laying back. Jesssie used his good left jab and

Galindez came to life in the fifth round as his body punches seemed to slow Burnett down. The California boxer was still in the bout but Victor started coming on, scoring with good left hooks to the body and head.

From the eighth on it was all Galindez, pressing the action, pushing Burnett on to the ropes, correcting with hard shots to the ribs and head. This fast finish gave Galindez the nod on the referee's scorecard. It was close but the fans felt that the decision was just.

For Burnett it's back to the states, but he knows now that he can box with the best of them. Galindez is off to South Africa where he will defend his crown against Richie Kates, of Brighton, N.J.

VALDES KO's COHEN IN 4; SHAVERS BEATS CLARK

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signs that he was fit to continue, and he did not take the third man's verdict very well.

Fortunately the crowd of five thousand in the arena, situated at Porte de Pontin on the outskirts of the city, accepted the third man's verdict, although most must have been disappointed. They had been yelling themselves hoarse since the opening gong in favor of Cohen.

This was Valdes' first fight since he injured his right hand in a car accident.

In a supporting bout Ernie Shavers outscored Henry Clark over ten rounds. This was only the second time that Shavers had won over the distance. In 57 fights he has won 49 inside the distance, won 2 on points, drawn one and lost five.

It was a bitter and hard hitting duel once Clark came out of his shell. He was a very slow starter and allowed the bald headed Shavers to build up a lead on points.

By the fifth, Clark's left eye was swelling as a result of Shavers' right hand. Clark, sensing the injury might become a handicap and perhaps cause a retirement, attacked in desperation and it paid off.

In the sixth, Clark's left eye was almost closed and bleeding badly. I have seen injuries of a lesser nature bring about an intervention. At this stage Clark was getting on top. He missed a left from Shavers and countered with a right to the jaw that rocked his man. It was Shavers who was now on the receiving end. In round eight Clark appeared to hurt Shavers, but the bell came seconds later. Clark needed to win the final two rounds to be in with a chance to get the referee's nod, but facing Shavers with two good eyes can be a tough assignment, let alone trying it with one eye closed.

It was a hard and bitter fight and it would be good to see these two guys box a return.

Shavers, born in Ohio on August 31, 1945, was rated No. 9 in the June issue of THE RING. In 1975 Shavers beat Leon Shaw, Rochelle Norris, Oliver Wright and Tommy Howard, but was KOed in six by Ron Lyle. Clark had two bouts in 1975, outscoring Jody Ballard and drawing with Jimmy Richards.

This professional meeting in Paris featured a couple of amateur bouts on the program. School boy bouts also took place while the crowd was seating itself, and it was interesting to see all had to wear head gear for protection. French amateurs can always return to their clubs should they not make the grade in professional qualification contests. Other nations please take note.

Another American on the program was Harold Weston, rated No 7 welterweight, who met the French champion, Jacques van Mellaerts, over eight rounds and won on points.

ART HAFEY ACCUSES "126" RIVALS OF DODGING HIM

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Burke Emery started to train me. Now that Burke has been ingraining me, my troubles and bad times are over," said Hafey.

For over a year now Hafey has been embroiled in a tug-of-war with Danny Lopez and Dave Sotelo as to which ranked featherweight is the top West Coast 135-pounder.

One of the triumvirate of leading glove tossers is certain to fight for the world championship this year. Hafey is hopeful that with his impressive victory over Sotelo he will emerge as the logical contender for a showdown bout with either Kotey or Arguello.

Art boasts an impressive ring ledger of 52-7 and packs a kayo sock in his punching artillery. Referring to his last fistic opponent Sotelo who retired Bobby Chacon, Art made this observation.

"I know how he fights. He's awkward and he's got a big punch. But I've beaten much better fighters than Sotelo." It was Art's two sensational wins over veterans Ruben Olivares and Alfredo Mercano that propelled him into a ranking featherweight prospect.

Hafey's manager Burke Emery feels that his fighter is long overdue for a lucrative match on the West Coast.

"We're getting the runaround," said Burke. "There's no way the winner of the Lopez-Gomez fight at the Forum deserves a title bout more than Art." Formerly a resident of San Diego, California, where he fought under promoter Mickey Davis at the defunct San Diego Coliseum, Art moved to Los Angeles in hopes of getting better matches.

Hafey and manager Emery formed an alliance with promoter Don Fraser of the Forum, with the understanding that Art would get a shot at Ruben Olivares's featherweight crown. But instead Olivares was matched with Bobby Chacon.

"Fraser promised me a title match within one year, but he didn't keep his promise," said Burke. "So now I'm signed with Don Chargin of the Olympic Auditorium. Maybe my luck and Art's will change this year.'

Perhaps the moment of truth for featherweight challenger Art Hafey will come soon in his mission to fight for the world featherweight title. In the meantime, the Irishman from Nova Scotia with the big knockout punch keeps on winning the ring battles in scintillating style, never for one moment disheartened or frustrated in his quest for the title encounter.

In boxing the stakes are high and the championship trail just one punch away. Making connection with the likes of either Dave Kotey or Alexis Arguello is all that Art Hafey wants. It just takes one fight to become world champion and Art is determined to reach his goal in life — to climb the championship ladder!

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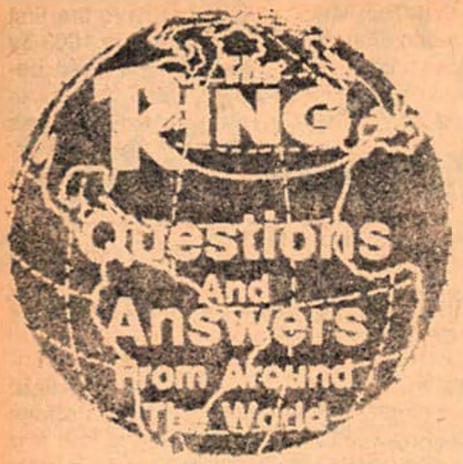

Q. My father writes from Brussels that Jean Paul Coopman has been barred from fighting in Europe for two years, for his participation in the Puerto Rico affair with Ali. Do you have any news to that effect.

Louis Delarge
New York, N.Y.

A. Yes. The European Boxing Union has suspended Coopman for two years. You will find the news about this stupid action in Jack Tree's material from Hamburg. The EBU acted after having failed to call the so-called fight an exhibition. Acting now bars Coopman from using his profession. He did not want the "fight."

Q. Was Gus Lesnevich ever the official world light heavyweight champion?

Jan Jaekel
Trenton, N.J.

A. Yes, Gus was the real champion. He beat Christoforidis for the American title and then was approved as Conn's successor. He made this advance by beating Billy Fox and Freddy Mills. Mills beat Gus for the world title and Maxim beat Gus for the American title.

Q. Who was the first Negro fighter in our Colonies, Molineaux or Richmond?

Richard Washington
Washington, D.C.

A. Molineaux came first. He fought around Georgetown, S.C.

Q. Sixty years ago, when I first began to see fights in Brooklyn, there was an announcer who was called the One Man Brass Band. Can you give me his name?

Artie Horowitz
Poughkeepsie, N.Y.

A. His name was Dunn. I do not recollect his first name. Likely, Jim.

Q. Is Ad Wolgast still alive?

Ad Regensburg
New York, N.Y.

A. Wolgest died April 14, 1955.

Q. Whom did the late Nat Fleischer rate the best lightweight, Joe Gans or Benny Leonard?

Frederick G. Hemomgson
Boston, Mass.

A. Nat rated Gans over Leonard. John McGraw, who was close to Joe in Baltimore, told the Answer Man that Ganes seldom was in perfect shape.

Q. Was Stanley Ketchel ever beaten? Please say yes. My father is always right and I need a decision over him.

Will Redmond
Los Angeles, Cal.

A. Ketchel lost to Jack Johnson and Billy Papke. There's your decision. Aren't you ashamed to score over the old man?

Q. Is Stevenson the greatest fighter ever to represent Cuba?

Carlos Gomez
Lodi, N.J.

A. No. Stevenson is an amateur. How good he is I do not know.

Q. Is Peter Jackson, against whom John L. Sullivan drew the color line, in the Hall of Fame?

Jay Greene
New York, N.Y.

A. Yes, he is. He was elected in 1957.

Q. Does Ali say that the German Mildenberger really beat him?

Harry Alonzo Dearing
Butte, Mont.

A. No. But Ali does say that Mildenberger hit him about as hard as he was hit before the Thriller of Manila.

Q. Isn't Joe Bugner still the heavyweight champion of the British Isles?

Wells Thimpson
Toronto, Can.

A. No. Bugner has retired from the ring. Dick Dunn is the champion.

Q. Has the Answer Man been spreading the report that McGovern and Gans had a fake fight in Chicago?

V. K. Andrews
Baltimore, Md.

A. Yes, I have been spreading the story, and a rotten fake it was.

Q. Is it possible that after Ali retires THE RING will hold a revision poll and lift his standing among the heavies, now placed at No. 9?

George Wellington
New Orleans, La.

A. It could happen.

Q. Floyd Patterson actually has retired, but he refuses to admit it. Does the New York Commission carry him on its active list? Would it let him fight in the Garden or any other New York venue?

John M. Schreck
Buffalo, N.Y.

A. Patterson refuses to admit that he has retired. He is hanging in midair and insists he could get back among the Top Ten heavies. Floyd Patterson was born January 4, 1935, Waco, N.C. He is 41 and faces no visible demand for his fistic services. THE RING regards him as unofficially retired.

Q. Did Joe Maxim ever beat Archie Moore? Did they ever go more than 15 rounds?

Frankie Read
New Orleans, La.

A. Maxim and Archie met three times and Archie won every time, by 15 round decision, in St. Louis, Ogden and Miami.

Q. On what basis did Patterson win the world heavyweight title? Was he that good?

Thomas J. Sullivan
Vicksburg, Miss.

A. Floyd stopped Archie Moore in five rounds at Chicago. Patterson had a great manager-trainer. How good was he? Ask Floyd Patterson, New Paltz, N.Y.

Q. Was Tad a good fighter around New York about 30 years ago?

Con Daly
Baton Rouge, La.

A. Are you joking? Tad was T. A. Dorgan, a great sports cartoonist for the N.Y. Journal. Tad could not fight a flyweight. His brother Ike was a top class press agent. Tad a fighter? Where did you find this joke?

Will "Velasquez" please get in touch with the Answer Man at THE RING office re his fatalities list.

The RING PUNCH LINES

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AN UNKIND FAN

THE RING gives too much attention to the flies and the junior flies. Imagine, a junior fly? A fighter like that should devote more time to growing up. You call the class, aptly, the diaper class. Give more space to the light heavies, the middleweights and the lightweights.

Dimitri Villanova
Milan, Italy

Editorial Note: You are very unkind. The diaper boys are entitled to their chance to gain fame and a living.

STIFF TIME FOR THE CHAMP

In 1975 Muhammad Ali went into the ring four times and he had a tough time even against Wepner. The one guy who was easy for him was Bugner. That so-called fight was just a fiasco. They fooled around and neither man delivered a punch. I know. I was in Lampur. Even Dunn could take Bugner.

The year 1976 will be Stiff Time for Ali. He is entitled to let down some and he will. He has reached the careful stage.

Henry K. Kornblum
New York, N.Y.

DID NOT LIKE GARDEN REVIVAL

I waited a long time for the Garden to reopen and when the show made its appearance I was let down terribly. Newman and D. Bobick, and Soto hardly old time Garden stuff. Some very good fighters are hanging around idle, and the Garden people come up with a guy who can't make it over in Jersey and Bobick, who has been feeding on stiffs. What has become of the Garden?

Virgil M. Hardney
Trenton, N.J.

CARACAS WELCOMES THE RING

I understand that certain Caracas publishing interests have purchased the right to translate THE RING into Spanish monthly. Please accept the welcome of Venezuelan and other Spanish speaking fight fans. We long have needed a magazine like THE RING and we know that we are going to enjoy the new arrival immensely. We do not have a fight publication of the high class of THE RING and we promise you a welcome in Spanish. It is a very fine language and you will be learning to read it as soon as the Spanish edition appears in Venezuela.

Estaban Villablanco
Caracas, Ven.

THE LATIN AMERICANS

Where, oh where, do you get so many Latin American fighters to write about, and so many of them champions or contenders? They refuse to stay at home but chase all over the world. Guys go flying from Venezuela to Japan, from Japan to France, from anywhere to everywhere. Why doesn't New York give the Japanese fighters a chance? I am from Manila and would like to see some Philippine fighters in New York. Tell that to the Garden and suburban clubs.

Jorge Allecante
Brooklyn, N.Y.

THE NAPOLES TRAGEDY

The Napoles story made me sad. I never saw him fight and I always regarded him as one of the fistic greats of the last 30 years. But I am told that he did not train, that he was lots older than his reported 33, that he is a very poor businessman, and that he allowed himself to go to pieces physically. Cases like that are bad for the game. Current ring stars have established a reputation for clean living and attention to training. I am sorry for poor Jose because he will not recognize that he is finished, that he finished himself, and that he will not retire.

Juan Galarde
Houston, Texas

THE FIRST WORLD CHAMP

Several letters from RING readers in recent editions have raised the question of whether or not John L. Sullivan was the heavyweight champion of the world. They need only to consult *The Ring Encyclopedia* for the answer. The fact is that Tom King, of England, was the first world champ, winning that title in 1863 by beating John C. Heenan. King had become the British champ after the retirement of Tom Sayers and Heenan was looked upon as America's titleholder by many. King's victory gave him every right to be called the world champion.

King retired and subsequent champs were Jem Mace, Tom Allen, Joe Goss, Paddy Ryan, and Sullivan. Claimants were Joe Wormald, Jake Kilrain, and (possibly) Johnny Dwyer. So it is easy to state that Sullivan was the world champion and push back the heavyweight lineage some 19 years. Yet historians overlook this and list Sullivan as the first champion. I believe it is time to correct this mistake and put things in perspective.

For your own personal curiosity (and in hope of re-writing history) here is what I think the bareknuckle heavyweight lineage should look like. I do hope that RING MAGAZINE takes it into consideration.

1863 Tom King
1863-73 Jem Mace (claim)
1868 Joe Wormald
1873-76 Tom Allen
1876-80 Joe Goss
1879 Johnny Dwyer (claim)
1880-92 Paddy Ryan
1882-92 John L. Sullivan
1887-89 Jake Kilrain (claim)

Dwyer's record in the Encyclopedia shows that he beat Jim Elliott for the American title, held in truth by Joe Goss. Whether the world title, also held by Goss, was at stake, I am not sure. Kilrain was awarded a belt by the Police Gazette and defended it in a draw with Jem Smith.

John Leonard
Little Neck, N.Y.

WANTS PEN PAL

I wish that you would help me attain my wish of having an Afro-American girl as a pen-friend. I am very anxious of having one and I hope to hear from her as soon as possible. I am a 21-year-old Ghanaian and I wish to have a pen-friend within the ages of 20 and 22 years.

I hope to hear from her as early as possible. She must like boxing!

My hobbies are photography, sightseeing, reading, and music. I would like to have a photograph of that girl if she writes first.

I am also an idol of the world heavyweight champion, King Muhammad Ali and I would like you also to furnish me with his address too.

Nane Ekow Ackeh
Ghana, West Africa

"Big" Gil Stromquist, right, fought and won a 12 round decision over Bennie Brast, of Fort Worth, Texas, in February 1942. This was in Gil's fighting prime.

Austin's Giant; "Big" Gil Stromquist

By HARRY WARREN

KIMBRO, a small town in Texas, is mighty proud of its local boxing giant. Yes, BIG GIL STROMQUIST, although never making any waves among the heavyweights on an international level, did gain the title of heavyweight champion of Texas. Despite his huge size, it was not an easy road, however. At 7-feet, weighing 280-pounds, Gil was a striking figure in the boxing ring.

Big Gil was born on March 16, 1919. Son of a farmer, with whom he worked at tilling the land, sowing the seed, cutting down timber. Big Gil became so big, that at the age of 14-years, he gave up school to learn farming.

Big Gil became insterested in boxing and joined the local boxing club in nearby Austin. As an amateur, he gained quite a reputation as an knockout artist. He won many amateur titles, mainly in his native state. After winning 54 out of 59 bouts, with a knockout record of 47, he was asked by a veteran Bronx manager Phil Young to go to New York and become a paid performer. Young did his best to mold the giant into a fighting machine.

Today, Stromquist owns and operates "Big Gil's," the largest night club in Austin, Texas. From left to right: Valentino Luna, former bantam-feather champ of Texas; Tom Attra, four time National Golden Gloves champ; Bert Linam, former welter champ of Texas; Pete Gil, ex-middle champ of Texas. Standing on car is Johnny Gaitan, ex-middle champ of Texas, and standing in rear is Gil Stromquist. All the men with Stromquist work at "Big Gil's."

Big Gil's first opponent in the paid ranks was against Jack Rose at the Queensboro Arena. He disposed of the veteran fighter in 34 seconds of the first round. A very auspicious start. Big Gil followed this victory with wins over George Stovall at St. Nicks, and Arthur Bugi at The Broadway Arena.

Phil Young, an excellent manager, because of illness, asked Bobby Gleason to take over the reigns and handle Big Gil. Big Gil enjoyed being with Bobby Gleason, who was training the great Jake La Motta, Phil Terranova, Ray Robinson, Steve Belloise, Gus Lesnevich, Tami Mauriello, and Gil got to enjoy the environment and being able to train with so many famous boxers. Gus Lesnevich and Lou Nova found Gil Stromquist to be a great sparring partner. He had a lot of laughs with Tami Mauriello and they would often train together.

Bobby Gleason, due to the fact that promoters were anxious to display the unique giant, was having no trouble to get fights for Gil, together they traveled hundreds of miles to arenas all over the United States.

In Texas, Big Gil became quite a favorite. He beat promising Bennie Brast of Fort Worth over 12-rounds in Dallas, and again in a return at Chicago Stadium with an 8-round knockout.

RING MAGAZINE selected Big Gil as "The Most Outstanding New Heavyweight," and published it in the boxing bible January 1943.

Big Ben Moroz was matched with Big Gil at Madison Square Garden in March 1943. Although leading on points for the first three rounds, Big Gil received a haymaker on the chin in the 4th-round and was knocked out. Murray Lewin, the popular boxing writer in New York, wrote in his column, "Despite his setback, Big Gil showed some surprising moves for a big man, he showed great form and I look for him to come back."

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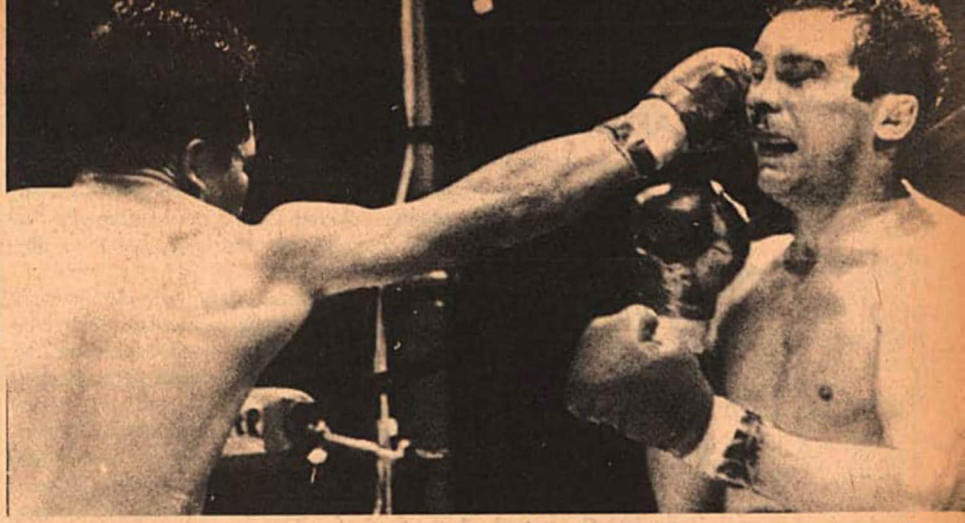
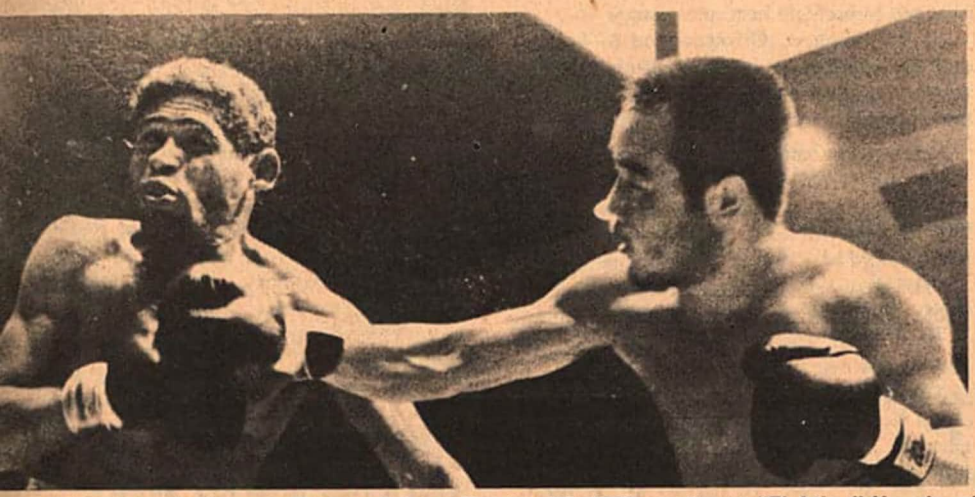
SOUTHPAW CHAMPIONS IN ACTION

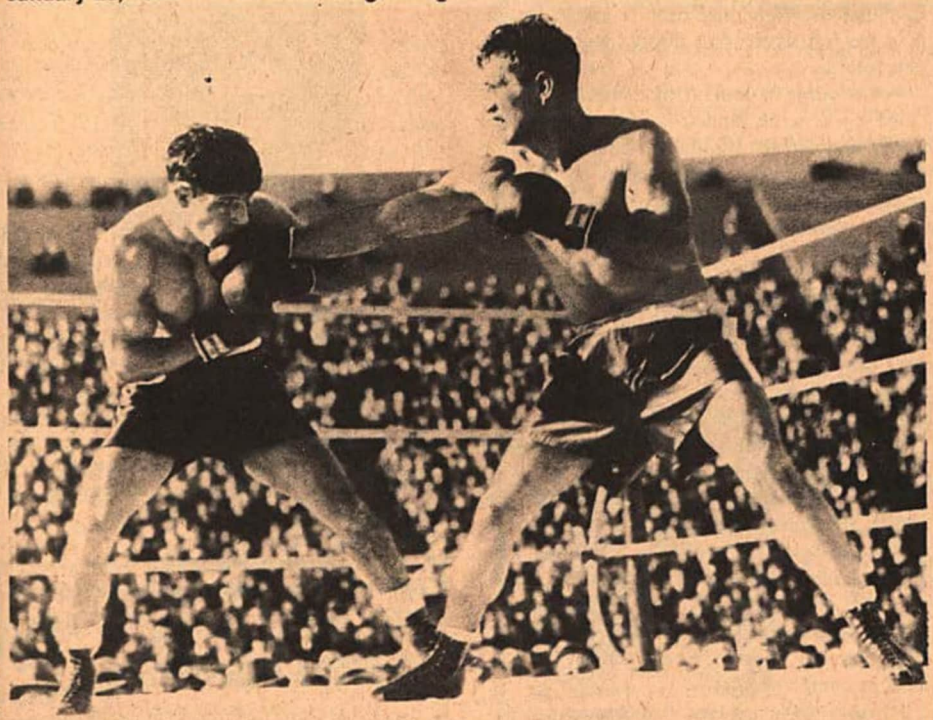


Southpaw featherweight Vicente Saldivar, Mexico, is seen throwing a jolting right to the head of Howard Winstone early in their October 14, 1967, bout, which ended in a 12th-round KO for Saldivar. The Mexican was world champion from September 26, 1964, until after the Winstone fight, when he retired. (Below) Chamrern Songkitrat connects with a left to the jaw of southpaw world bantamweight champion Jimmy Carruthers on May 2, 1954, his last championship bout.



In Action with Antonio Herrera, left, on October 25, 1966, southpaw "Fighting" Harada, of Japan, held the world featherweight title twice and the world bantamweight once, between October 10, 1962, and January 7, 1970, when he retired.

Van Klaveren, left, catches southpaw Young Corgett III's glove in the first of two bouts on January 20, 1935. The ex-welterweight king decisioned Van Klaveren both times.



Former world welterweight champion Billy Backus waits for "Irish" Pat Murphy, whom Backus KO'd in 7, to rise during their February 12, 1972, match. Southpaw Backus ruled the welters from December 3, 1970, through June 4, 1971.

KOTEY TOLD CORNER HE HAD OLIVARES AFTER FIRST

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L. A. seeking the title, and for a period of over six months was not able to obtain a single fight.

Kotey's main credential for a championship fight was that he was the British Commonwealth champion by virtue of a knockout over Evan Armstrong. His overall record was changeable depending on who you talked to. Hugo Bandi, an African writer, listed it at 35-1-1, the one loss coming in Australia. Kotey called it a home-town decision.

Kotey was unranked by RING and was not even included in its 1972 *Record Book*, despite his having a pro career which went back to 1966.

Nevertheless his persistence seemed to have gained him a shot at Chacon's WBC title. Instead it went to Olivares who, after he had knocked out Chacon, agreed to make his next defense against Kotey. But the August 20th date was cancelled, and many in Kotey's camp believe that the September fight would have been cancelled too if certain L.A. boxing people had had their way.

The advance sale for the fight was not impressive, and so it was decided that to hype the gate Kotey would train outside on the Forum parking lot. Kotey felt the "Weather conditions weren't proper" and that he was being "exploited in a very untasteful situation," so after two days he moved his training to a gym on south Broadway owned by Rudy Montoya, whose fighter Rudy Robles, was also having difficulty finding action in Los Angeles despite being a resident of that city.

Searching for fights earlier in L.A., Kotey had come around to the wide-spread belief here expressed most recently by Sammy Sanders, a fight manager who also helped with Kotey's preparations, that, "Unless a fighter is willing to put himself under the complete control of the L.A. promoters he will not be able to find work here."

Kotey is managed by the country of Ghana and his chief handler, Francis Clottey, thought that most of the boxing people in town wanted Kotey to lose to the popular Olivares. This included the writers for the two main Los Angeles papers, the "Times" and "Herald," if only because over the years the magnetic Olivares had attracted millions of dollars in gate receipts.

"Look," Kotey was told, "when the writers show up why don't you just take it easy and not show them anything," which Kotey didn't.

A sparring partner was sent to the south Broadway gym who Sanders thought was sent from Olivares's camp. Kotey was told in working with the man to "slough off," and after one day of sparring the suspected spy left and was not seen again.

Ferrara had Kotey running between six and seven miles per day. He ate two meals, breakfast and a steak dinner, and in between workouts and meals he rested.

"I couldn't see how he could rest as much as he did," said a handler as the fight approached. But while Kotey surprised his people by being able to relax under pressure conditions he was also praised for "unbelievable determination."

Meanwhile L.A. boxing people knew just as much about Kotey as the fighter and his handlers wanted them to know. On the day of the fight, frustrated about being able to draw little "interesting" copy out of the challenger, a writer equated him with mysterious Africa and wrote a paen to that land and the secrets it held. He then predicted that Olivares would make short work of him, though it was reported that Ruben had done little serious training for the match and had indulged himself on beer and women.

At the weigh-in, Olivares tried to intimidate the challenger by demanding that he take off the large sunglasses Kotey wears, so that he could see David's eyes.

Kotey good-naturedly took them off and the press went away with, besides the knowledge that both fighters weighed-in at the 126 pound featherweight limit, that Kotey might be afraid of the champion.

"He is so famous," said Kotey after the fight, "I did not really know what to expect of him. Then when I saw that I could hit him I knew that I would win."

Returning to his corner after the first round Kotey told his handlers that he could take the champion out anytime he wanted to."

They in turn counselled caution knowing that, though he was in bad condition, Olivares was extremely dangerous.

When Ruben went down again in the second the referee ruled a slip, though later one of the judges (both officials voted for Kotey) said that the right had been a harder punch than the left which had floored Ruben in the first round.

For a while it looked like Olivares might come back as he landed some hard punches to the body in the middle rounds. But Kotey never lost his poise, and while he continually outboxed the K.O. minded champion as was expected, on many occasions he out-slugged him too.

Before the fight the Mexican fans exploded many fire-crackers in the audience, but except for the hooliganism that erupted after the fight had ended, they had little opportunity for the mass exaltation that marked Olivares's many other fights.

As Kotey chipped away at the champion the action in the ring was seemingly mocked by a contingent from Ghana which kept up a steady rhythmic rhythm on various percussion instruments.

Later there was a telegram from the head of state of his country, Colonel Aryeampong, congratulating Kotey on becoming the first Ghanian ever to win a world championship, even a share.

It was widely believed that there was a return match clause in the contract for the Olivares match. Kotey denied this. A rematch with Olivares, or a fight with exciting Danny (Little Red) Lopez, highly rated Art Hafey or Chacon would seem gate naturals for L.A. since all have had much local exposure and followings. But while the opponent is not known it is likely that Kotey's first defenses will be in his hometown of Accra, the capitol and largest city (Some 615,000 population) in Ghana. It is pretty much of a certainty where the defense will not be. The followers and establishment of Los Angeles boxing are unlikely to see the man they regarded so lightly again in a local ring.

There is a status that comes with a world boxing championship. A champion's words bear a weight greater than that of a challenger.

Surrounded by the reporters the day after his triumph Kotey was asked by an admirer when fans could again expect to see him fighting at the Forum. Kotey paused on this as if remembering many things he regarded as unpleasant. He is usually extremely soft-spoken, but when the verbal water came from the stone he answered loudly, as if he wished to be heard not only by all the reporters and the people in the lobby of the plush hotel where the interview was taking place, but also throughout the entire city. His answer was characteristically terse. "Never."

Probably not.

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Flip Wilson,
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This space contributed by the publisher.

DUNN, ON WAY TO ALI, STOPS AUGUST IN 3 FOR EURO CROWN

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Again August looked in trouble, but just as Dunn was about to inflict further punishment he was stopped from doing so by referee Belagamba, who gave the German the advantage of a standing count.

At this stage August looked in a bad way. His left eye was almost completely closed and his right eye didn't look too good either.

The second round had proved Dunn's superiority. Now all that remained was to see whether or not August would come up for the third. The referee inspected the damaged eyes during the interval, but August had obviously asked to be allowed to carry on.

So to the third and what proved to be the final session. Dunn continued where he had left off, but August then made a great effort to pull the fight out of the fire. He caught his man with a left and a right to the face that seemed to shake Dunn momentarily.

But it was wishful thinking on August's part, for Dunn just shook his head, cleared his senses, and then it was the German's turn to be on the receiving end again.

Dunn eventually found an opening for a right hand that shook August to the very foundations. He wobbled across the ring, Dunn followed and unleashed a fusillade of punches.

As the German was taking punishment without retaliation the referee intervened. Time—1 minute and 38 seconds of the third.

Dunn received a tremendous ovation from the British fans, and Munich promoter Butch Lewis got into the ring to place a silver crown on Dunn's head. All good for publicity.

Admittedly the opposition had not been very formidable, but Dunn had done what he had to do in a confident and impressive manner. He had wanted to prove that he was not only the best heavyweight in Europe, but also that he had won this title in style.

After the fight his manager Geirge Biddles, now 71, the man who guided world bantam champ Hogan Bassey, also British heavyweight champ Jack Bodell, opined, "One of these days nature is going to catch up with Muhammad Ali. It could be the day he meets Richard Dunn."

August wasn't in such complimentary mood. Before the fight he had said that if he won he would not be tackling Ali, as he didn't think he was ready. After it he stated, "I still think Ali versus Dunn is a joke."

We shall see.

When writing letters that require an answer please send along stamped self addressed envelope.

WEST COLLEGIAN ALL STAR TEAM OUTPUNCHES EASTERNERS

A crowd of 1,700 was present to see the West outbox the East 8-5 in Reno, Nevada. The two teams had representatives from ten schools, the Eastern team being composed of the Eastern Collegiate Boxing Association winners, and the Western of boxers from Nevada Reno, California, and San Diego State.

In what was the first national college boxing match since 1960, Nevada Reno's Dave Billing earned the Outstanding Boxer Award by scoring a first round technical knockout over two-time Eastern Collegiate Boxing Association champ Ty Venable, of the College of Charleston. Theirs was the 165 pound match. Billings had lost three bouts this year prior to his upset over Venable.

The Sportsmanship Award went to Tom King, of Temple, who lost his 132 pound match against Jose Ortega, of California.

The heavyweight bout was a forfeit in the favor of Dave Jarstad, of Nevada, when Bruce Blair, of Westchester, could not fight due to an injury.

Results are as follows:

112—Bob Kimberlin, Nevada Reno, decisioned Jason Lo, Toronto.

118—Tom Bradfield, California, decisioned Lenny Ermak, West Chester State.

125—Warner Gysum, California, decisioned Robby Collingwood, South Carolina.

132—Jose Ortega, California, decisioned Tom King, Temple.

139—Juan Montez, Villanova, TKO'ed Dave Morgan, Nevada Reno, in the third round.

147—Ed Skalamera, West Chester, decisioned Bill Sandoval, California.

156—Mike Benelli, Penn State, decisioned Lyon Rathbun, California.

165—Dave Billing, Nevada Reno, TKO'ed Ty Venable, College of Charleston, in the first round.

172—Jim Krtinich, Nevada Reno, decisioned Jimmy Jones, West Chester.

180—Stan O'Conner, Navy, decisioned Bob Kerr, San Diego State.

185—Joe Gery, West Chester, decisioned Clay Griswold, Nevada Reno.

190—Dave Schuster, Nevada Reno, decisioned Joe Bucelli, West Chester State.

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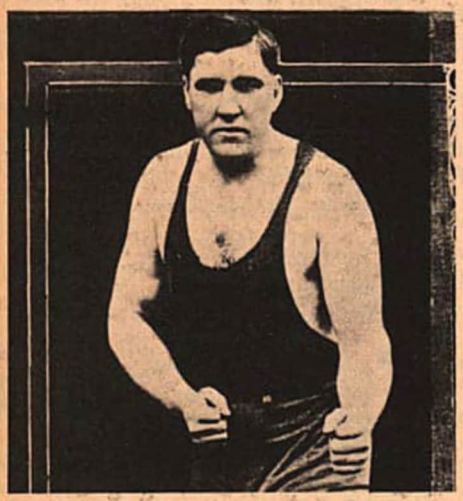
UP AND DOWN

Old Broadway

By SAM TAUB



Jess Willard, ex-heavyweight champ.

TOM MOORE, head cashier at the Roosevelt Hospital in New York is one of the outstanding fight buffs around. Boxing is and has been his first love. A visit to his home on West 57th St., where he lives with his brother Billy, shows the walls covered with famous original drawings of champions of yesterday and today. Moore, who has been with the Roosevelt Hospital for twenty-three years, unquestionably has the greatest set of original drawings around. Champions from as far back as Jess Willard up to Muhammad Ali greet you when you arrive at his abode. Among the array of cartoons to be seen, most of them by Daily News Sports Cartoonist Bruce Dtark, associate of Cartoonist Bill Gallo, are those of Jack Dempsey, Ezzard Charles, Sugar Ray Robinson, Sonny Liston, Tommy Loughran, Paddy DeMarco, Joe Dundee, Jimmy McLarnin, Bobo Olson, Charley Phil Rosenberg, Maxie Rosenbloom, Willie Pep, Bat Battalino, Max Schmeling, Nino Benvenuti, Jack Sharkey, Floyd Patterson, Rocky Graziano, Fritzie Zivic, John Henry Lewis, Willie Ritchie, Ceferino Garcia, Al Hostak, Ben Jeby, Don Jordan, Lou Salica, Joey Giardella, Fred Apostoli, Lou Ambers and Lew Jenkins.

Moore has gone on trips from coast to coast where he secured the signatures for many of his illustrations. Among the array of ex-kings are a number by our cartoonist, the late Ted Carroll. Tom Moore is a dyed-in-the-wool fight fan and whenever possible you'll catch him at Madison Square Garden's ringside.

While on a tour of the Roosevelt Hospital we ran into Dr. Walter A. Wichern, chief of surgery, who was a former amateur boxer and fought, among others, Sonny Horne, of Youngstown, O. Horne, later as a pro, boxed Rocky Graziano. Remembers when his former foe, Horne, came to the hospital and who should take care of him but his former Golden Gloves foe.

Also ran into Ed Mullaney, who is the grandson of the famous Thomas "Silent" Martin, crack welter and middleweight of the early twenties, who boxed George Chip, former middleweight king, at the old Broadway Arena, a ten round no-decision affair. Martin fought the best in his day including three skirmishes with the one-time middleweight king, Al McCoy, who won the title on a one round kayo from George Chip. Mullaney, who handles outpatients' accounts at the hospital, said his mother, Margaret, was Martin's sister. Martin was born in 1892, fought from 1910 to 1923 passed away in 1961.

Another doctor at the Roosevelt was Arthur J. Antenucci, who was a fight buff in his early days. Knew the late promoter Humbert J. Fugazy, was born on Sullivan St. next door to where the late Jimmy Kelly had his night club, and recalls when he used to don the gloves with Freddie Welsh when the champion was king of the lightweights.

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Joe Davis, Brooklyn realtor and manager of a flock of gladiators, whom we met at the Golden Gloves, is wondering about the inactivity of his South Carolina born heavyweight, Bob Stallings. Davis, a likeable person, can't understand it, in view of the fact that his man won five of his last six fights but has not had a scrap since he beat Earnie Shavers in the Felt Forum on November 4, 1974. His other wins were at the expense of Billy Daniels at the Sunnywide Gardens, kayos over James J. Woody and Charley Green in the Felt Forum and Garden, as well as decisions over Mac Foster in Chicago, and Bobby Mashburn in the Felt Forum. The fight he lost was a ten round duke to Ron Lyle at Missoula, Mont.

Stallings, according to Davis, worked for two months with George Foreman for the fight which saw him capture the crown from Joe Frazier. Davis can't understand not getting any assignments for his heavyweight.

Aside from Stallings, whose brother won a co-championship in the recent Golden Gloves, he has a string of grapplers aside from Bob under his wing. . .Among them are Ray Villamuller, a middleweight, Tommy Rowan, a lightweight, Earl Harris, a 150 pounder, Bo Green, a light heavyweight, Joe Toro, a lightweight, and Ron Merriweather, a featherweight. The Davis fighters work out at the Bobby Gleason Gymnasium on West 30th St. and at the Broadway Gymnasium in Brooklyn.

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News of the passing of Teddy Bentham, a well known second from New York, who has been living in California for years, at 67 in Beverly Hills, California, came as a surprise, as no one knew he had been ill. For thirty years little Teddy was rated a fine trainer of boxers. He had seen service with Davey Moore, late feather king, Jimmy Carter and Carlos Ortiz, both former lightweight bosses. Teddy was in Jerry Quarry's corner when he met Muhammad Ali on October 26, 1970, in Atlanta, Georgia, when Bentham asked Referee Tony Perez to stop the fight in the fourth round due to a badly cut eye suffered in the third stanza. Bentham appeared now and then in the corner at Garden fights but remained in California until his death.

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Wonders never cease. Whatever the trouble, the news that Ron Lyle was feuding with his manager, Bill Daniels, the man who discovered him, was a surprise. Daniels is well thought of in boxing. The trouble between them, which took the case into the Denver courts, stemmed from monies allegedly due the boxer from the George Foreman fight. This may be another story where too many cooks spoil the broth, as has happened time and again in the boxing profession.

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Donato Paduano, the Italian born gladiator, who was quite a sensation when Al Lang introduced him to Garden fight fans, visited THE RING office to get a

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4—Duane Bobick, Bowlus, Minn.
5—Johnny Boudreaux, Houston, Texas
6—Larry Holmes, Easton, Pa.
7—Ron Lyle, Denver, Colo.
8—Earnie Shavers, Warren, Ohio
9—Chuck Wepner, Bayonne, N.J.
10—John Dennis, Attleboro, Mass.

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2—Tom Bethea, New York, N.Y.
3—Bobby Cassidy, Levittown, N.Y.
4—Alvaro Lopez, Stockton, Calif.
5—Jessie Burnett, Los Angeles, Calif.
6—Marvin Johnson, Indianapolis, Ind.
7—Mike Rossman, Turnsville, N.J.
8—Casey Gacic, Cleveland, Ohio
9—Chris Elliott, Paterson, N.J.
10—Ray Elson, New York, N.Y.

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2—Bennie Briscoe, Philadelphia, Pa.
3—Mike Colbert, Portland, Ore.
4—Bobby Watts, Philadelphia, Pa.
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6—Alvin Anderson, Baltimore, Md.
7—Ralph Palladin, Baltimore, Md.
8—Wayne Beale, Las Vegas, Nev.
9—Sammy NeSmith, Indianapolis, Ind.
10—Gary Holmgren, St. Paul, Minn.

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10—Robert Quintanilla, Galveston, Texas

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2—Warren Matthews, New Orleans, La.
3—Santos Luis Rivera, Puerto Rico
4—Manuel Lujan, Los Angeles, Calif.
5—Tommy Rose, Sherborn, Mass.
6—Diego Martinez, Los Angeles, Calif.
7—Beto Nunez, Phoenixl Ariz.
8—Mike Ayala, San Antonio, Texas
9—Roy Hernandez, Los Angeles, Calif.
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*Champion

RINGSIDE WITH "Sailor" Don Sauer

By DON SAUER

THE Florida Sports Hall of Fame elected and inducted Angelo Dundee to the long list of sports dignitaries, and they could not have made a better choice. Dundee has been a "name" in the Citrus State for years, associated with Muhammad Ali, since he entered the "punch for pay" ranks, but it is not Ali that made Dundee. Angelo, married to Helen Bolton (cousin of former light heavyweight Jackie Cranford) has made it on his own. His long list of champions over the years is proof alone of his ability as a trainer and a judge of "fighter flesh"—my congratulations to you—you have been a credit to boxing, and it has been something special for me to know you. . .Back in the fifties and sixties, other fight managers and trainers sat back and relied on weekly TV for their fighters, but Angelo Dundee beat the canebraks, domestic and foreign. The result is that with the camera gone, Dundee has the built-in know how for developing talent—"Before I look for a fight for my boys I look to publicize them," Angelo says. "You can't excite people over fighters they don't know anything about." He has sure done a remarkable job.!!!!! Congratulations to Moe Fleischer, who just passed his 75th milestone—Moe is the trainer of Mike Dundee's jr. middleweight champion, Elisha Obed, now based at Miami Beach. . . . Some of the more prominent fight figures still gracing Boston's arenas are Charley Luongo, Sam Silverman, Johnny Dunn, Rip Valenti and his son, Frankie, and Bill Ebel (top trainer of years gone by). Al Lacy is absent from the gym, but makes a show on occasion. Al's last champion, Paul Pender, now toils as assistant athletic director at the University of Massachusetts (annex) at Columbia Point in South Boston. . . .If you are in Boston during the big bicentennial celebration, be sure to stop at Clarke's Restaurant on Merchants Row (right behind historic Fanuel Hall) and chat with former heavyweight contender Tom McNeeley, who serves as host there. . . . . .Lee Oma, former top ranked heavyweight who boxed all of the "iron" over the years and came home a winner more times then most can boast, is in poor health in the Long Beach Home in New York—you might drop the guy a card—he'll enjoy hearing from the many friends he made along the fight beat. Harold Steinman was the manager of record of heavyweight Johnny Paycheck when he boxed Joe Louis in N.Y.C., on March 29th, 1940—Pinkie George developed the fighter calling him the "Battling Bellhop" when campaigning in mid-west rings prior to his ill-fated journey to Gotham to meet the Brown Bomber. . . . .Carlos Monzon, middleweight champion, has been offered $650,000 to defend his title in Zaire, Africa, against an unranked fighter. You'd think Zaire would have learned a lesson from the Ali—Foreman match which "blew" a few million. . .Boston has a real fine looking young Jewish prospect in Tommy Rose, who has been a consistent winner to date. . .Tony Licata picked up 15 big ones for his losing effort against Jean Mateo in a Parisian ring. Joe Brady has taken over the training duties of Licata for manager Lou Viscusi, meanwhile Viscusi has taken over the managerial reins of two heavyweights—Al Hogan, who Lou figures will crack the top ten in the ratings in two years, and former Houston Oiler football star, John Matusak, who was a first round football draft pick three years ago and is now launching a ring career—Matusak stands 6'8" and tips the Fairbanks at 262. . . .Cleveland's Casey Gasic, who on the comeback trail has held both Mike Rossman and Christy Elliott to draws—is originally from Yugoslavia. He was born in Munich, Germany, but has lived most of his life in the U.S. His real monicker is Milomar "Casey" Gasic—a name to remember. . . .Tony Mundine, the Australian middleweight who was demolished by Carlos Monzon, (then again—who doesn't succumb to Carlos?) continues on the comeback trail beating so-so American imports in his homeland. . . .Haven't heard from my old pal, Baron Henry von Stumme, now in his eighties and living in North Hollywood, California. Baron no longer has fighters, but I wonder whatever happened to his German import of a few years back, light-heavyweight Wilhelm von Homburg, who sometimes fought in the "old country" under his real name, Norbert Grupe???? If the California Senate passes the bill making it mandatory for officials' cards to be announced after every round, you could wind up with small riots every three minutes!!! Outraged fans will be inspired to break loose with every announcement. They had better give this some serious thought. . . .Here is some great news for the boxing fans, Belgium heavyweight Jean Pierre Coopman is not retiring. He will continue fighting and hopes to get another chance at the heavyweight title. I am sure that those of the boxing fraternity who witnessed his futile effort against Ali will be glad to hear this. Hedgemon Lewis, who has failed three times to cop the welterweight crown, after losing to John Stracey in England, has announced his retirement from the ring. We wish Hedgemon many happy days and hope that he might still take part as a trainer of fighters in the next few years. He has been a credit to the game. . . .I want to thank Mary Tyler Moore for keeping me posted on west coast happenings. Mary is an ardent boxing fan, as well as the top lady TV star in the U.S. . . . .Howie Steindler, who owns the Main Street Gym in Los Angeles, was an auto mechanic, cab driver, grocery clerk, car salesman and good humor man. In the early fifties Howie was a scrap dealer. He claims he was the only guy in L.A. losing money in that racket. He'd park his truck in front of the Main St. Gym all day. Finally he sold the truck and bought the gym. Today Howie Steindler is 72 years old, with a full head of hair—and not many grey ones either—and plans to retire from boxing when he retires from life—not before!! Boston fight promoter, Sam Silverman was forced to cancel a boxing show set for the ancient Boston Arena two days prior to "fight-time" when

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Manager and trainer Angelo Dundee has been inducted into the Florida Sports Hall of Fame.

SKOG OUTCLASSED BY WBA CHAMP GALINDEZ

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Perez was wise enough to halt the massacre.

According to the new point system, Perez had it 0-2, 0-2 in favour of the champion. Judge Felipe Crapper, of Argentina, had the first round 0-0 and the second 0-1, and his Norwegian colleague, Kaare Hagmansen, saw it 1-0 for Skog and 0-1 for Galindez.

Three days before the scheduled fight day, Harald Skog was hit by a car and slightly injured his right leg. Because of this the fight had to be postponed from Friday to Sunday, but the maleur didn't in any way affect Skog's strong confidence in himself.

"It will take a bulldozer to knock me out, and this Galindez is no bulldozer," Skog told reporters after a brief visit at an Oslo hospital. "I am sure I can beat him. . ."

However, Victor Galindez turned out to be a "bulldozer," and Harald, by his countrymen called "Muhammad Ali's junior brother," learned his lesson the hard way.

After the fight Skog said, "Believe me, I really thought I had a chance. . .but he was too strong and too experienced for me. I have no excuses. . ."

It was Harald Skog's first loss in a career of 19 fights, in which he has beaten Jean-Pierre Coopman, Corn Griffin, Ray Anderson and former European light heavyweight champion, Rudiger Schmidtke of West Germany.

"He was brave, but nothing more," was Galindez's laconic comment. And a bit ironically the champ added, "After all I had heard that Harald threatened to do with me, when we met in the ring, I had really expected him to give me a tougher fight!"

On the same card former world challenger and European junior-lightweight champion, Svein-Erik Paulsen, of Norway, made his comeback as a junior-welterweight. He met Italian Romano Fanali—number 3 on the European ranking list—and came through with a narrow point victory in 8 rounds.

Both Galindez and Skog weighed 78.8 kilograms.

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AUSTIN'S GIANT; "BIG" GIL STROMQUIST

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Big Gil fought with many favorites on their home ground and always gave a good account of himself. Johnny Flynn, Dixie Oliver, Fred Schott, Howard Thompson, Gunner Barland, Al Patterson, Dan Merritt, Jim Pope, Laurient Bouchard, and Yancey Henry, all gave good accounts of the skill of Big Gil.

Big Gil, defended his Texas State heavyweight title against KO artist Jay Turner. It was a grand slam, punch for punch, toe to toe, bloody battle with the decision after 12-rounds going to Jay.

Big Gil's hardest fight was with Howard Thompson, of Boston. Big Gil's biggest disappointment was losing to Johnny Flynn and losing a bout with the great Lou Nova.

Stromquist was the semi-finalist on two world title programs, the Sugar Ray Robinson-Jake LaMotta card in Detroit, and the Jake La Motta-Bulldog Harris card at Pittsburgh, where he puts the skids under Big Boy Peterson, for which the great Jake LaMotta personally gave his congratulations.

Retiring in 1950, after a 10-year career, Gil operated a taxi fleet which he owned in the Austin, Texas, area until becoming interested in the restaurant business.

The largest nite-club in Austin Texas, called naturally, "Big Gils," is the hottest business spot in Texas. Gil is a deputy-sheriff of Travis County, which recently cited him, and he was awarded a citation by the Mayor of the City and received a presentation on behalf of the Austin City Police Department by the Chief of Police, R.A. (Bob) Miles. Gil is also sponsor of the local boxing club, an official with the local sporting groups, owner of 70,000 dollar home and, of course, his club.

September 24, 1975, is a date that will be indelible in the mind of Big Gil, because, that was the date when the Golden State Boxing Veterans Association, with the famous California veteran boxer's group known as Cauliflower Alley Club with the former heavyweight Lou Nova as president, gave a testimonial for Jimmy McLarnin and Big Gil Stromquist. All the former veterans turned out headed by Tami Mauriello, boxing scribe, Noble Kid Chissell and Lou Nova.

That noted woman sports publicist of the Hollywood-Beverly Hills area, Kate Charlup, said it best, "Big Gil Stromquist is a credit to boxing, and looking around at these former famous fighters, I cannot but wonder why boxing is not on the curriculum at all schools."

Looking at Gil the lady remarked, "Boxing is like Gil, a giant in the sports scene."

GANT TAKES GRIER OUT IN 8

By ED SCULLEN

Washington, D.C. — Local welterweight contender Johnny Gant had no real difficulty disposing of Patterson, N.J. battler Joe Grier as he opened a cut over the fighter's eye in round one and then put on a typical classy boxing exhibition until he was able to open another cut, forcing stoppage in round of the scheduled 10 round affair. Gant himself was cut over the eye during one of Grier's wild rushes in the fifth round. Reportedly this was the same spot cut during Gant's WBA title shot last October against Angel Espada. Gant weighed in at 148; Grier, 142½.

In a co-feature 10-rounder Ralph Palladin, 159, Lanham, Maryland, stopped Rocky Holiday, 164, Wilkes Barre, Pennsylvania, in four rounds, again on cuts. Palladin, now on the third bout of a comeback attempt begun last September, cut Holiday in round one and then proceeded to work on the area in subsequent rounds.

As Holiday desperately tried to cover, Palladin switched the attack to the body and it appeared that regardless of the cut, Holiday was enroute to an early night. The bout was stopped after round three when Holiday's cut men requested the ring Doctor to take a look—one look was enough, and the commission's Dr. Fisher signaled an end.

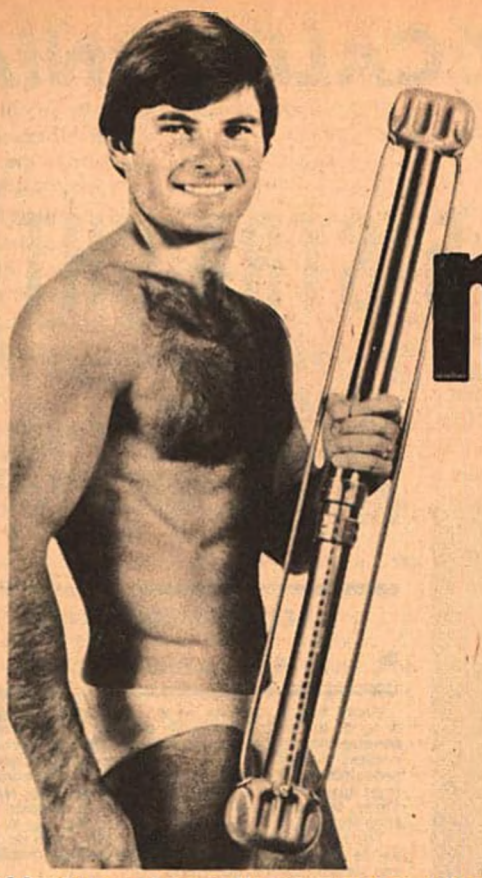
Palladin, 33, was obviously pleased with his night's work, but stopped in Holiday's corner to enquire about his welfare before departing.

In the preliminaries: welterweights Billy Bell, Washington, and Cleveland's Ron Pelligrew put on a fast stepping 6-rounder with little advantage to either man. The officials concurred, awarding a draw. Joe Sprowell, 181, disposed of Reggie Flemming, 184, Cleveland, at 2:27 of round two. Fleming was strangely reluctant.

This was followed by a heavyweight bout featuring local clown "Wild Bill" Hardney, 198, Lanham, Maryland, against Sylvester Wildner, 186½, Cleveland. "Wild Bill" pounded out a solid unanimous decision in six rounds as he danced, feigned injury and exchanged cat calls with ringsiders. Occasionally Bill would get down to serious work, scoring well with upper cuts and left hooks. The shaven-headed 33-year-old modestly allowed he was in the best shape ever as he had trained a whole week at Rocky Coleman's gym.

Smokey Joe Middleton, 188½, and Teddy Paxton, 179½, then struggled through almost five rounds before officials halted the one-sided affair at 2:35 of the fifth. This was an absolutely woeful bout as Paxton slipped and slid all over the ring and Middleton, although landing powerfully with both hands, could not put his opponent away. The fight should have been stopped much earlier as Paxton put up only token resistance and at times appeared too exhausted to even find his opponent, never mind boxing him.

Promoter Harriel Williams' first show at D.C. Coliseum netted only 636 customers, the card apparently suffering from a lack of publicity. Williams said later he had taken a financial bath, but vowed to be back within a month. It is hoped that next time around, more attention is given to matching the undercard and the publicity problem is solved.



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IN SUNNY CALIFORNIA

By DON FRASER

ART HAFEY SCORES 15 STRAIGHT

LOS ANGELES — Little Art Hafey shook off an almost disastrous third round to rally for a unanimous 10 round decision over David Sotelo, of Mexico City, at the Olympic Auditorium.

A crowd of 4000 paid $20,899 to see a lively scrap with the bull-necked Irishman having an edge in seven of the ten rounds.

Sotelo, 128, staggered Art, 127, Nova Scotia, with a right to the jaw early in the third. The tough Mexican followed up with a relentless attack, but couldn't find the finishing punch.

Hafey then came back in the fourth, punishing Sotelo with vicious body and head punches. Art was a clear cut winner.

Referee Larry Rozadilla saw it 6-4; judge Rudy Jordan, 6-3 and judge Lou Filippo 7-1.

It was the Canadian's 15th consecutive victory and hopefully, brought him closer to a title match with champion David Kotey (WBC).

Baby Leroy, 160½, Los Angeles, dec. over Fonai Leota, 165, Hawaii, (4); Zeffie Gonzales, 148, Montebello, KO over Lupe Hernandez, 150, Mexico, (2); Chris Gonzales, 148, Montebello, tech. draw with Gil Pedroza, 150, Los Angeles, (3).

▲**Los Angeles, Calif.** — Bantamweights Raul Tirado and Seco Luna hardly had warmed up when their scheduled 10-rounder was over.

The fight was halted midway in the third and called a technical draw. The reason? Luna suffered a severe cut over the left eye and it was ruled the injury was caused by an accidental butt.

Up until that point, it was an entertaining scrap and all even. Luna weighed 119, Tirado, 120, and both are from Mexico City.

Alberto Sandoval, 119¼, Los Angeles, KO over Juan Rodriguez, 118½, Mexico, (4); Ramon Contreras, 128, Mexico, KO over Eladio Leal, 127, Miami, (5); Rico Dineros, 159, Los Angeles, dec. Cole St. John, 161, Philadelphia, (6); Ignacio Osornio, 122½, Los Angeles, dec. over Alex Lopez, 122, East Los Angeles, (4).

The gate was $4,498.

▲**Los Angeles** — Famosito Gomez, 121, the younger brother of Famoso, had to be satisfied with a seventh round technical decision over Sak Lemthong, 121, Bangkok, at Shrine Auditorium.

Gomez, ahead on points, was cut from an accidental butt and under California rules, was given the verdict.

Johnny Watson, 124, New York, upset favored Rafael Gonzales, 122, Mexico City, with a fourth round knockout.

Paul Teibl, 128, Los Angeles, KO over David Haros, 124, Mexico, (5); Mike Stuart, 114½, Los Angeles, KO over Jorge Flores, 111, Mexico, (2). The gate was $3,157 and the promoter was Mike Almaraz.

▲**Los Angeles** — Comebacking Mike Nixon, 159, Glendale, caught Abel Cordova, 160, Los Angeles, with a tremendous right to the jaw to win by a knockout.

The end came midway in the fourth round at the Olympic Auditorium. The Irishman, who is a brother-in-law of Jerry and Mike Quarry, was hurt himself early in the fourth.

Nixon shook off several hard punches to drop Cordova for the full count. It was Irish Mike's first outing under new manager, Ralph Gambina.

Alberto (Superfly) Sandoval, 118, Jackie McCoy's unbeaten bantam, stopped Catalino Flores, 118, Manila, P.I., in the fifth of their scheduled 10-rounder.

Zeffie Gonzales, 147, Montebello, KO over Eugene Baldwin, 148, Los Angeles, (3); Alvaro Lopez, 162, East Los Angeles, KO over Lee Kahey, 159, Los Angeles, (1).

The gate was $6,014.

▲**Los Angeles** — Former world bantamweight king Romeo Anaya, 123, had very little to offer against underdog Jose Rosa in the 10-round feature event at the Shrine Auditorium.

Nova Scotia's Art Hafey decisioned Mexico's David Sotelo over 6 rounds in Los Angeles. Hafey hopes for a shot at WBC featherweight champ David (Poison) Kotey.

Rose, 121, San Juan, P.R., moved much too fast for the 27-year-old ex-champion, winning eight of the ten rounds.

Anaya held the title in 1973, knocking out Panama's Enrique Pinder. He lost it to Arnold Taylor the same year.

In an exciting 10-rounder, Andy (The Hawk) Price, 146, held off Jimmy Jackson, 145, to nab a close decision. Both are from Los Angeles.

Mauricio Garcia, 118, Los Angeles, KO over Alfonso Delgadillo, 120½, Mexico, (5); Francisco Flores, 127½, Los Angeles, KO over Gil Ortiz, 124½, Los Angeles, (5); Mike Stuart, 116, KO over Shuji Kambara, 119, Tokyp, (1).

The gate of $6,339 was best yet for the new Almaraz promotional group.

▲**Los Angeles** — Rudy Hernandez, 138, Stanton, busted up Ignacio Castaneda, 140, Mexico City, with a rapid firing left hand, winning by a knockout in the seventh round of their scheduled 10-rounder at Shrine Auditorium.

In a co-feature 10-rounder, Abdul Bey, 121½, Chicago, stopped Adrian Villanueva, 125, Los Angeles, in the fifth round.

Shuji Kambara, 115½, Tokyo, decisioned Alfonso Delgadillo, 115, Mexico, in a six rounder. The gate was $1,764, and the show was under the promotion of Mike Almaraz.

▲**San Bernardino** — Stocky Roy Hernandez, 123, Los Angeles, blitzed Santiago Hernandez, 123, Mexico, in the ninth round to win by a clean knockout.

In the eight round semifinal, Ignacio Osornio, 121, Los Angeles, halted Alex Lopez, 123, East Los Angeles, in the fifth. In a second eight, Jose Luis Lopez, 136, Los Angeles, edged David Bernal, 136½, Mexico. The gate was $2,462.

▲**Los Angeles** — Rangy Sigfrido Rodriguez, 135, Mexico City, surprised with an easy, one sided win over Victor Abraham, 136, Los Angeles, at Olympic Auditorium.

Rodriguez finished off Abraham at 2:58 of the sixth round. The Latin had Abraham down twice before referee Dick Steele halted the match.

The crowd numbered 2640 and the gate was $4,589.

Chris Gonzalez, 145, Montebello, KO over Jesus Burciaga, 148, Los Angeles, (3); Gonzalo Montellano, 136½, East Los Angeles, KO over Jose Zatarain, 141, Mexico, (1); Lenny Ferguson, 135, Los Angeles, KO over Joel Lopez, 130, Monterey Park, (4).

▲**Stockton** — In one of the best action fights viewed in Stockton in recent years, Rudy Barro, 142, Manila, P.I., finished with a strong rally to edge Miguel (Mike) Mayon, 137, San Diego.

The decision was close, but Barro deserved the nod after 10 blistering rounds.

Gil Sulamo, 140, Stockton, dec. over Alejo Jimenez, 140, San Jose, (6); Reynaldo Zaragoza, 128¼, Mexico, dec. over Sammy Meza, 128½, Stockton, (6); Carlton McWoodson, 136, San Francisco, KO over Richard Menchaca, 137½, Stockton, (2).

The gate was $5,722.

▲**San Bernardino** — Japan's Tosh Nambu, 142½, took a corking tussle from Juan Arcos, 141, Mexico. Nambu was an impressive sixth round winner, when Arcos suffered a bad cut over his left eye.

Abel Cordova, 159½, Los Angeles, and Irish Tommy Howard, 160, Seattle, drew (8); Eddie Rogers, 135, Los Angeles, KO over Hector Garcia, 133½, Mexico, (7). The gate was $2,722.

MARRERO TAKES WATKINS

By HANK KAPLAN

Miami Beach, Florida — In a match-up designed to bring in the patrons from all directions, promoter Chris Dundee received a high mark for artistic ability and the contest yielded an upset. One of the hottest lightweight prospects in the country sporting a 25-0 record up to fight time, Maurice "Termite" Watkins, 136, Houston, Texas, was declared the loser on a split decision vote to Nanl Marrero, 137¼, Santo Domingo, D.R.

The fur flew as Watkins dropped tc 25-1-0 with no disgrace as the short-ender. The Texan fought his heart out and proved himself a determined fighter.

Marrero hurled wide hooks to the body which had a telling effect and was otherwise too clever for the stylish Watkins. Marrero chose not to box the "Termite" at close range and connected effectively with both hands from a distance.

When Watkins found Marrero within range he threw plenty of leather but rarely found his foe with damaging blows. Marrero boosted his record to 20-7-3 as judge Bob Eisenman charitably viewed the bout a draw at 48-48.

Judge Al Wilensky scored it 48-46 for Marrero and referee Eddie Eckert judged it 46-43, also for Marrero.

In the semi-final sixer, Tony Greene, 175, Miami, in the process of a comeback, outpointed Ed "Savage" Turner, 175, Orlando, in unanimous fashion. After a year out due to injuries incurred by an auto mishap, Tony looked a bit off but showed some of his previous class as a fine prospect.

In a scheduled sixer, Frankie Santore, 134, Tampa, scored a first round knockout over Nat Whyms, 131, Nassau.

In another scheduled six round contest, Edgar Ross, 152¾, Orlando, found the mark in round 2 as he salted Leon Futch, 152, Jacksonville, away for the count.

In a bout scheduled for 4 rounds, Roger Pinckney, Hollywood, axed Ray Collins, Houston, Texas, in the 3rd round of a middleweight brawl.

An estimated couple of thousand fans watched the pleasing show at the Miami Beach Convention Hall.

The Ali-Jimmy Young fray at the Capital Centre in Washington, D.C. will once more take trainer Angelo Dundee away from his home base of Miami Beach. The famed trainer who recently returned from Winter Haven where he was inducted into the Florida Sports Hall of Fame, is busy wrapping up the affairs of his long list of young proteges under his care on Miami Beach.

Annually, the former boxers of the South Florida area get together for a giant banquet and lots of former ring-men find an excuse to pack their bag to join the gala affair. This year is no exception as boxing people such as Jimmy Goodrich, Lou Viscusi, Lou Foreman, Bernie Manhoff, Joe Shannon, Audrey Jones, Jimmy Clinch, Odin Dudrich, Petey Scalzo and Frankie Ryff among others are planning trips down South. The Veteran Boxer's Association of South Florida, Ring 31, will honor Jimmy Goodrich, Petey Scalzo, Bobby Burns, Tom Heeney and Frankie Ryff for the roles they played in boxing history during the banquet dedicated to the Bicentennial celebration at the Hotel Deauville on Miami Beach.

Former lightweight cutie of Miami Beach, Mike Shapiro is operating a hair styling salon in Silver Springs, Maryland. . .Former New York featherweight Lou Pisano who operated during the armory days, is now a permanent resident of Miami's Southwest area. . . Heavyweight Lou Esa, undefeated in five outings is ready to return to ring action after recovery from recent surgery on his knee. . .Lightweight champion Roberto Duran of Panama is scheduled for a non-title shot at the Miami Beach Convention Hall with probable opponent Saoul Mamby, clever stylist from New York. . .Woody Clark, Miami's chief hope to garner a Golden Glove title in the recent National tourney at the Orange Bowl, dropped a decision to Michael Dokes in the finals. . .Involved in a serious auto accident and now in recovery status is popular former New York welter Murray Kezd, residing in Fort Lauderdale. . .Dr. Ferdie Pacheco, well known for his corner handling of Muhammad Ali, Jimmy Ellis, Luis Rodriguez, among many others during the past decade, has a couple of books almost ready for publication.

FIVE FISTIC FANTASIES: PART 1

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counters with Joe Jeanette, Sam McVey, Denver Ed Martin, and Hank Griffin, were among the most grueling of his career.

There is no questioning the greatness of Langford. In over 250 fights and a career spanning 22 years he fought in every class from featherweight to heavyweight meeting and defeating the likes of Joe Gans, Dixie Kid, Philadelphia Jack O'Brien, Kid Norfolk, Joe Jeanette, Harry Wills, Sam McVey, Stanley Ketchel (draw), and Joe Walcott (draw), to name but a few. In fact, although he weighed less than 170 lbs. at his peak, Nat Fleischer lists him at No. 7 in his all time heavyweight ratings.

If the fight had taken place, saying during 1910, when both men were at their peak, who would have won? Well, we can fall back on the old sports cliché that says a good big man will always defeat a good little man. The edge would be with Johnson. His size and great defensive genius would probably have resulted in another decision win. But we'll never know for sure. Johnson never gave Langford a second chance. Besides, this was the era of the "white hope" and few wanted to replace one black heavyweight champion with another, and the flamboyant Johnson had created enough havoc to last a generation, which brings us into the next dream fight. . . .

Harry Wills vs. Jack Dempsey

The real reason that the Wills-Dempsey fight never came off antedates both of their ring careers. When talk of a Dempsey-Wills fight was at its peak the memory of Jack Johnson lingered heavily in the air and stood as a strong deterrent to the promotion.

Jack Johnson, the first black heavyweight champion, was a defiant and supremely confident egotist, a man who spoke his mind forthrightly and let the chips fall where they may. He also happened to be a master boxer, and considering the fact that he won the title in 1908, all other things being equal, was probably the most fascinating personality ever to hold the heavyweight crown.

Johnson had the "audacity" to win the heavyweight title from Tommy Burns, in Australia in 1908, which up until that time was strictly a white dynasty. And then, as if to throw salt on an already wounded white ego, he proceeded to marry the first of his three white wives during the second year of his reign as champion. This was just too much. Many Americans were clamoring for a "white hope" to unseat this brash black champion who obviously didn't know that he was supposed to be inferior and subservient.

When, in 1910, Johnson demolished the supposedly invincible white hope, former champion Jim Jeffries, race riots broke out in cities across America. Tex Rickard, who promoted the fight, was accused of humiliating the white race. Johnson was eventually driven out of the country to escape imprisonment on a phony charge of violating the Mann Act—transporting a white woman across state lines for immoral purposes. When Johnson was finally dethroned by Jess Willard, in Havana, in 1915, the damage had already been done: it would be a long time before a black man would get a chance to win the heavyweight title.

It was against this backdrop that the resistance to the Dempsey-Wills fight must be viewed. Tex Rickard, the most powerful promoter in the USA at the time had already been burned with Johnson-Jeffries, and he feared the consequences of another black-white fiasco.

Although there was tremendous demand for the fight among the general public, people in political power still worried about white dominance, racial politics and race riots. The fight came close to coming off a few times, but always at the last minute the plans would be cancelled.

Wills, a decent and clean living citizen, was a victim of the prejudice that Johnson had fanned during his controversial seven year reign as champion, and although he was the outstanding challenger from 1921 to 1925, never got his well deserved shot at the title.

As far as the talk that Dempsey ducked Wills, that is pure hog wash. Dempsey ducked no one. In fact, Jack looked forward to fighting Wills. Dempsey was told who to fight by Rickard, and if Rickard wnated to send him against a gorilla or a midget Jack would be ready.

Wills, an excellent heavyweight, was a step below Langford and Johnson in overall ability, and although he stood 6'4" tall and weighed a well muscled 210 lbs., would probably not have stood up under the fierce onslaught of the tigerish Dempsey. I envision a great battle of super heavyweights with Dempsey finally prevailing by knock-out.

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GRAY OUTCLASSES JIM HENRY

By FRANK ALLNUTT

TORONTO—In one of a three bout professional card held here Canadian and Commonwealth welterweight champion Clyde Gray (148) was not in the mood to 'carry' over-matched Jim Henry (Montreal) 148. After a non-action initial round which Gray used to loosen up it was obvious to the 1400 fans on hand that Henry was in over his head.

In the second Gray picked his heavy punches with ease with no retaliation from the Montreal fighter.

After several hard hooks to the body and the head in the third round, Henry was on his way out. His knees buckled and the ropes were his only support when the referee stepped in and halted the proceedings at 1.39 of the round.

In a middleweight bout, local fighter Damiano Pellegrino had little trouble in halting new-comer Wes Rowe (Brantford) in three rounds. Rowe, who threw all his punches in the opening three minutes had nothing left after that and fell an easy prey to Pellegrino.

In the final middleweight bout, Gary Broughton (Brantford) and Joe Henry (Toronto) boxed to a draw. This bout was marred by continual holding and mauling by both contestants, the result did not have the fans demanding a re-match.

▲TORONTO—A heavyweight match held at the Royal York Hotel resulted in Horst Geisler (Toronto), 250, making a shambles of Paul Nilsen (Toronto), 210. The brawl was halted mid-way through the third round when Nilsen had run out of ammunition of any kind to throw at Geisler.

▲Offical Canadian champions as listed in the latest release from the Canadian Professional Boxing Federation are as follows:

Light Heavyweight Champion, Gary Summerhays (Brantford). Middleweight, Fernand Marcotte, Jr., (Montreal. Welterweight, Clyde Gray (Toronto). Lightweight, Johnny Summerhays (Brantford). All other division titles are vacant. Clyde Gray (Toronto) also holds the Commonwealth welterweight title.

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BOUDREAUX AND HOLMES WIN AT CAPITAL CENTRE

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Fred came out fighting in round two, but was outgunned by Holmes. Larry scored at will with fast combos to the head and body before the referee ended the bout. It wasn't that Ashew was that bad, but that he fought Holmes's fight, standing right in front of Larry, and there are not many men who will be able to beat Holmes in this manner. This was Ashew's first defeat in 5 years. He had won 11 straight.

Undefeated Johnny Boudreaux, 208, had a tough fight on his hands with Miami's Joe Gholston, 209¾, who is a stable-mate of former heavyweight king Joe Frazier. Boudreaux, a fast handed counterpuncher, was forced to be the attacker in this slow contest. Joe just wanted to still be standing at the end of the tenth. He showed little fire-power as he moved slowly forward, throwing a punch now and then. He made Johnny look bad, and opened two cuts, one over each eye, with butts before the bout had gone eight rounds. The ninth and the tenth Boudreaux seemed to catch fire. He opened up, scoring with good lefts and rights to the face of Gholston. Joe held on to last the distance. Johnny was a picture of a champion in those last two rounds. Bleeding from both eyes, going forward attacking and attacking and winning the hearts of the local fans.

This win gives Boudreaux a mark of 19 wins and one draw. Not known as a puncher, Johnny did show the crowd he has the heart to become a champion, and the shots he landed in the 10th round were not cream-puff blows. When this man wants to, he can punch with the best.

John Dino Dennis, Attleboro, Massachusetts, 208½, and Philadelphia's Obie English, 209¾, fought to a fast and tough ten round draw. The bout started as if Dennis would run English out of the ring. John scored with heavy shots to the chin and body for the first four rounds, as Obie tried to keep out of his way. From the fifth on the worm turned. English felt that Dennis no longer could hurt him, and stepped up an attack of his own. He connected with good left jabs to the face of Dino and sneak rights to the eyes while playing up to the crowd with his show biz style.

Dennis pulled out the draw in the tenth round as he went straight to the attack, not giving English a chance to get off. John had a cut over the left eye, but it didn't give him any trouble. The crowd liked the decision and a rematch is in order. The draw gives Dino a record of 27-0-1. English sports a mark of 15-5-1.

The highlight of the evening was when local kayo artist Biff "the terror" Cline, 184, Hillcrest Heights, Maryland, scored a one-punch kayo at 29 seconds of round one over Al Byrd, 192, Greensboro, North Carolina. Cline is now undefeated in 9 bouts which all ended in one round, but one, and that was a two round knockout. The fans love their hero and cheered the re-play on the tele-screen three times. There were only two punches thrown in the bout. Byrd came out and scored with a right to the neck of Cline, who countered with a killer left hook which ended the bout.

In an eight round heavyweight bout, Kevin Isaacs, New York, 195, was just too much for the bright new prospect Greg Johnson, 212½, also from the Big Apple. Kevin moved in and out scoring to the body and head of the taller Johnson. Greg was just not ready for a fighter in Isaacs' class. Kevin is a much improved boxer, better than his record.

In the only non-heavyweight contest of the evening, Mike Baker, the U.S. junior middleweight king, 158, found it hard against New York's Larry Davis, 158. Baker, with the height and reach over Davis, found it tough to control a boxer with only eight pro bouts. Mike was cut over the left eye twice and under the left eye. The contest was cut from 10 to 8 rounds earlier in the day by the promoters. Baker was lucky that it was, because his cut eye was bad and Davis was coming on. Mike did have the better of the boxing, landing a good left jab and several right hands when he could keep little Davis off of him. The decision was split for Baker.

ALI JOINS EASY-MONEY BOYS IN MIXED MATCH

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nified and an insult to the ancient art of wrestling protested Strangler Lewis, who may have been the greatest of all the matmen, especially with his headlock.

Body scissors specialist Joe Stecher became indignant when a match with a fighter was proposed. He was reported to have said, "The fighter cannot work without his gloves and I cannot work with gloves. I am a wrestler and not a fighter."

There are records of nine mixed matches. Here they are:

FITZSIMMONS vs. ROEBER

Bob Fitzsimmons, at Carson City, Nevada, while training for his world heavyweight championship bout with James J. Corbett engaged in a mixed contest in his training camp. Fitzsimmons, with boxing gloves, knocked out wrestler Ernest Roeber with one punch on the head, in 1897.

McVEY vs. MATSUDA

Dec. 31, 1908—Sam McVey, heavyweight boxer, wearing boxing gloves, knocked out Tano Matsuda, one of the foremost exponents of jiu-jitsu in 10 seconds at Paris, France. McVey outweighed Matsuda by a good many pounds.

GALTIERI vs. TAKI

July 15, 1922—Luis Galtieri, Argentine middleweight and light heavyweight champion knocked out Japanese Jiu Jitsu expert Luis Taki in the first round in Buenos Aires, Argentina.

O'GATTY vs. SHIMAKADO

Jan. 12, 1928—Packey O'Gatty, American bantamweight boxer wearing skin-tight gloves, knocked out Shimakado, jiu-jitsu expert, with one punch in less than four seconds, at 3 A.M. at Yokohama, Japan (shortest on record for mixed bout). Shimakado outweighed O'Gatty by a good many pounds.

AGRAMONTE vs. MERCER

Sept. 11, 1952 (five minute rounds)—Omelio Agramonte, Cuban heavyweight boxer, lost to Marvin Mercer, in five rounds at Jersey City, N.J. Agramonte wore boxing gloves in the boxer-vs.-wrestler exhibition.

AGRAMONTE vs. DE PAOLO

1953—Magliore Stadium—Wrestler Ilio De Paolo pinned boxer Omelio Agramonte, 3 rounds (May 59 "Ring").

LERTRIT vs. ESPINOSA

July 27, 1957—Lao Lertrit, of Thailand, using the Thai Style, vs. Leo Espinosa, of The Philippines, using the International (Western) Style, at Bangkok, Thailand. Lertrit scored three round knockout.

MAXIM vs. CORSICA JOE

Corsica Joe pinned Joey Maxim, 10 minutes, January, 1958, Knoxville, Tenn.

WALCOTT vs. THESZ

August 15, 1963—Lou Thesz, National Wrestling Alliance champion pinned former world heavyweight champion Jersey Joe Walcott in the third round at Memphis, Tenn.

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Unbeaten Laing Outpoints Cooper

Former British featherweight champion Tommy Glencross, seen above right in the fight in which he took that title from Evan Armstrong, recently won the vacant Scottish lightweight title by outpointing Tommy Wright.

LONDON, ENGLAND — 20th Century Sporting Club, Southend — Unbeaten Kirkland Laing, Nottingham, 154, overcame the handicap of an injured right eye to outscore Charlie Cooper, Fareham, 153, by 80-76½ over eight.

The cut was caused by a clash of heads, and was the signal for Cooper to turn on the pressure. However, Laing counterpunched to good effect, and didn't lose a round.

Errol Lotriet, Southampton, 163, beat substitute Alan Bursey, the referee intervening in the fifth after Bursey had been decked three times.

Chris Williams, Bromley, 161, confirmed a previous victory by outpointing Owen (brother of Errol) Lotriet, 159½, over six by 60-58½, not losing a round.

Debutant Harold Johnson (there's a name to be reckoned with), West Ham, 160½, beat Dennis Jeram, Southampton, 158, the bout being halted in the fourth with the latter on the receiving end.

Ray Cattouse, Balham, 137, outscored Keith Bundy, Southampton, 142, over six by 60-57½. Another boxer who didn't lose a round, but Bundy did well to go the distance.

▲Anglo-American Sporting Club, Manchester — Joe Hannaford, Liverpool, 157½, beat Carlton Lyons, Manchester, 157, the referee stepping in during the sixth after Lyons had been down for eight. Lyons was doing well at that stage, but was caught with what is termed a "sucker" punch. Unfortunately for Lyons, they all count.

Billy Graham, Manchester, 161½, confirmed a previous win by beating Charlie Richardson, Liverpool, 161, the bout being stopped with 12 seconds left of the last of a scheduled eight.

Richardson was decked in the seventh, got up quickly but unwisely and never recovered.

Lawrence Devanney, Bradford, 128, beat Andy Dane, Kettering, 127¾, the contest being stopped in the third. Devanney seemed to be hitting his man almost at will, but even so there were protests from Dane's corner that the stoppage was premature.

Tony Vernon, Kettering, 128½, easily outscored Joey Gilbert, Leeds, 129, by 60-57½, over six, and was never extended.

▲Belfast — An outstanding win for Charlie Nash, Derry, 131½, who in only his third paid contest outpointed highly-rated Bingo Crooks, Wolverhampton, 128½, over eight by 80-75.

Maybe the scoreline flattered Nash a little, but Nash was worthy of his win and received an ovation.

Nash's southpaw style puzzled Crooks, and he was jabbing hard with his right to put his opponent on the defensive almost throughout.

Crooks received severa. censures, and apart from a couple of hard rights in the fourth and sixth which made Nash give ground, the Irish boxer was in control.

Both were cut around the eyes, but nothing serious, and the crowd enjoyed the toe-to-toe final round. All Crooks' experience could not save him from defeat, and Nash looks a fine prospect.

Ian Glenn, Ballyclare, 175, won the vacant Irish light-heavyweight title by knocking out Rov Bailey, Bangor, 174¾, in two. Bailey was decked by a left hook, rose at nine, and a similar punch stretched him for the full count.

Lots of action while it lasted, and Glenn thus reversed a previous defeat twelve months earlier.

It was the sixth win in a row for unbeaten Brian Huckfield, Birmingham, 191, who coming in as a substitute beat Billy Thompson, Doah, 198½, the bout being stopped in the third to save Thompson from further punishment.

Thompson was floored in the second.

Ray Ross, Ardglass, 131½, beat Billy Surgeoner, Doagh, 140, the referee intervening in the third when he sustained a cut forehead. Surgeoner was down for nine in the opening session.

Pat Campbell, Belfast, 133, beat Billy Boyd, Doagh, 132, the bout being stopped at the end of the second when Boyd sustained an eye injury. Hard luck on Boyd, for Campbell, too, was cut over the left eye.

▲St. Andrews Sporting Club, Glasgow — Former British featherweight champion Tommy Glencross, Glasgow, 131¾, won the vacant Scottish lightweight title by outpointing Tommy Wright, Doncaster, 131, over ten by 99-97½.

Both are southpaws, but it was a good fight to watch, and a fine performance by Glencross, who was having only his third bout after two years of inactivity.

Wright provided stern opposition, never giving up, and forced the issue right up to the final bell, but Glencross was the more accurate and provided a greater variety of punches.

Wright was almost down in the fifth, but apart from that neither man was in trouble.

Mario Stango, Bedford, 129¼, drew with Benny McQuade Purdy, Belfast, 130, over eight. A good display by Purdy in only his fifth paid contest. Stango was decked in the fifth, but relied on his greater experience to see him through.

An all-action bout, and many thought Purdy deserved to win.

George Peacock, Greenock, 140, outscored Tony Mattia, Bedford, 137½, by 59½-58½ over six twos. Mattia was decked in the fifth and his nose bled, but he kept coming forward against a better boxer.

John Mount, Wishaw, 150, outpointed Joe Ward, Goole, 146½, also by 59½-58½ and also over six twos. Ward was down in the fourth and afterwards claimed he had injured his hand in the third.

▲Premier Ring Sporting Club, London — Isaac Hussein, Streatham, 200, beat Sid Paddock, Southampton, 197, the referee intervening in the fifth when Paddock was cut on the left eyelid.

Hussein looked comfortably in front at the time, but Paddock kept the pressure on throughout, only to be caught with some good counters as he came forward.

Les Wint, Tottenham, 147, outscored David Hamm, Basildon, 146½, by 59½-59 over six. Hamm bled from the nose as the result of some hard digs by Wint, but contested it bitterly until the close.

Mick Hampston, Lewisham, 148, drew with Martin Lewis, Colchester, 147, over six twos. Lewis started promisingly, but faded as time went on, and there was little between them in the final stages. A good result.

▲Yorkshire Executive Sporting Club, Bradford — For the fifth time Pat Thompson, Liverpool, 175, and Terry Armstrong, Manchester, 177¾, clashed, with Thompson winning on points over eight twos by 78½-78, and taking the lead in this extended series by 3-2.

These two must know each other's moves by heart now, yet it was a good contest, little between them at any period, Thompson just deserving his narrow victory.

Alek Pernarski, Norwich, 178, outpointed substitute Randy Barratt, Wolverhampton, 172, another narrow victory by 59-58½ over six twos.

Penarski clinched it with a flourish in the last two rounds.

Winston Cousins, Manchester, 165½, won every round in outpointing Cyril Bishton, Derby, 164, by 60-57 over six. Both were making their debuts.

Another debutant, Roy Varden, Nuneaton, 133, looked a likely prospect for 18 years of age when he outscored Dave Wraxall, Manchester, 132, by 60-58 over six, not losing a round.

▲Arden Sporting Club, Birmingham — Errol McKenzie, Cardiff, 159¾, revealed a fine variety of punches in outscoring Scottish middleweight champion John Smith, Glasgow, 162, over eight by 80-76½.

It was all McKenzie until the last two sessions, when Smith's doggedness paid off. The Scot came forward, took the fight to McKenzie, and staged a fine rally, but alas too late to affect the scoreline.

Barton McAllister, Clapham, 142, kayoed Martin Galleozzie, Merthyr, 133, in the sixth of a scheduled eight with a peach of a left hook. A good scrap while it lasted, and Galleozzie had been doing his share of the scoring.

Dill Collins, Llantwit Major, 138¾, outpointed Ian Pickersgill, Doncaster, 139, by the narrow margin of 59-58½ over six. Collins was the busier of the two, and earned the verdict by his superior work-rate.

Debutant Steve Butler, Wakefield, 131½, made a fine start by beating Carl Whitmore, Chiswick, 132, the referee intervening in the fourth of a scheduled six when Whitmore was taking without giving.

▲Hornsey Town Hall — Tony Poole, Kettering, 156¾, kayoed Johnny Rushton, Doncaster, 159, in the third of a scheduled eight with a neat left hook. Rushton tried hard to beat the count, but the punch had taken too much out of him.

The pattern was clear from the first round, in which Rushton was decked with a hard right, whereupon Poole cleverly varied his attack from head to body.

Rushton's counterpunching was not enough to keep Poole away, and the latter eventually caught up with his man in round three.

Yotham Kunda, Swansea, 150, was a little fortunate to beat Steve Angell, Hemel Hempstead, 149, the bout being stopped in the sixth round when Angell was cut over the left eye.

A clash of heads caused the damage in the opening session, yet even so Angell looked ahead when the cut was considered too bad for him to continue.

It was Angell's first contest for 18 months, and he looked in good form.

Steve Carr, Leeds, 211, beat David Fry, Bournemouth, 204, the referee intervening in the third of a scheduled eight twos when Fry was taking punishment.

Apparently Fry had been suffering from influenza, and although he protested at the stoppage it seemed the logical thing to do.

John Cox, Northampton, 178, started slowly but warmed up well to outpoint Bob Pollard, Tottenham, 180, over six by 59-58½.

Trialist referee Terry Fleming was inside the ring, with referee Larry O'Connell scoring it from outside.

Cox took some hefty rights in the first couple of sessions, but found his range in the third and an impressive final session decided the issue.

Artist Gibson, Croydon, 191, ended the evening's entertainment by disposing of John Cullen, Northampton, 200, in 1 min. 55 sec. of the first round, the referee intervening with Cullen being freely punished on the ropes.

▲National Sporting Club, London — Former British featherweight champion Tommy Glencross, Glasgow, 133½, had no trouble in outpointing substitute Barton McAllister, Clapham, 140, by 80-77, over eight, not losing a round.

Glencross made the running, finding it easy to get through his opponent's defences with jabs and hooks, and even able to let McAllister do the leading, then counter to good effect and use his superior speed to get out of range.

This wasn't a fight to judge whether Glencross would be a logical contender for the lightweight title.

Carl Watson, Camberwell, 176, outscored Vernon Scott, Willesden, 170, over eight by 79½-78. Scott was decked in the third and fourth, and although he fought pluckily the physical disadvantages were too much for him.

Ian Pickersill, Doncaster, 139, outscored Kevin Evans, Hemel Hempstead, 139½, over six by 59½-59. Nothing much in it at any time, Pickersgill finishing with his right eye partially closed.

Godfrey Butler, Birmingham, 135, outpointed Steve Butler, Wakefield, 133¾, over six twos by 60-58½. Godfrey was the more accurate jabber and Steve was always trying to land the big punch.

▲Civic Hall, Wolverhampton — Former light-middleweight champion Larry Paul, Wolverhampton, 159, beat Joe Oke, Ghana, the bout being stopped in the sixth after Oke had been floored twice.

Three rounds had elapsed before Oke threw a worthwhile punch, which made things very easy for Paul.

When Oke did come forward, in the fifth, he scored with a couple of head punches, but left himself open for Paul's counterpunching, and a couple of left hooks had him wobbling, then down.

Luckily for him the bell rang immediately. He rose at four, then refused to sit down during the interval. What he hoped to prove wasn't evident, for Paul came straight in at the start of the sixth scored with punches to the head, then switched to the body, and down went Oke again.

He rose at six, lip cut (ten stitches required) and after making sure that he was not able to fight back, the referee intervened.

Garfield McEwan, Birmingham, 188, comfortably outpointed Sid Falconer, Bournemouth, 182, by 79½-76½ over eight.

Falconer took quite a few hard punches in the early stages, but he's as tough as they come, and continued to attack. Having survived this early onslaught, Falconer did even better in the second half of the fight, but couldn't match McEwan's variety of punches and his accuracy.

Even so, Sid had the last word, for the final punch of the contests produced a cut on McEwan's right eyelid.

Achille Mitchell, Coventry, 149, kept his unbeaten record by outscoring Terry Schofield, Bishop Auckland, 152, over eight twos by 79½-77.

Mitchell was punching and moving too fast for his opponent for six rounds, then Schofield, who had never been in trouble, cracked home some good lefts and rights to the head in the seventh, and kept up the pressure in the final session.

By then, however, it was too late.

Brian Huckfield, Warley, 192, kept his unbeaten certificate by drawing with Terry Mintus, Leeds, 196, over eight twos. This verdict was unpopular with many who thought Mintus deserved to win.

Debutant Terry O'Connor, Birmingham, 205, did well to outpoint Barry Clough, Stoke, 185, over six by 60-57, winning every round.

Clough, with more than 50 fights under his belt, seemed content with survival, and the fight itself was nothing to write home about.

Lloyd Gardner, Acton, 169, easily outpointed Billy Baggott, Birmingham, 174, over eight twos by 79-77. Baggott is noted for his clowning tactics, and this time provided something special. He entered the ring wearing a crown, read a newspaper during the intervals between rounds, talked incessantly throughout the action and generally larked about.

Gardner did his best to keep his mind on the job in hand, but it proved difficult. At the finish referee John Coyle took the crown and put it on Gardner's head. Shades of Muhammad Ali in his early days.

▲Hamilton Town Hall — Gerry Duffy, 125, won the vacant Scottish featherweight title by beating John Mitchell, 125¼, the bout being stopped in the sixth round when Mitchell was on the receiving end and finding it almost impossible to see properly because of injuries to both eyes.

An impressive display by Duffy, although Mitchell was willing enough to trade blows, he was outpunched and outgamed.

Mitchell was down briefly in the first session from a right to the head, decked again just afterwards from a similar punch and was up against it from that point.

Duffy came in confidently throwing punches from both hands. He was warned a couple of times for hitting on the break, yet Mitchell shook him momentarily at the end of the second with a good combination.

Duffy took this in his stride, and in round three a right to the jaw put Mitchell against the ropes, thence to the canvas, but he got up immediately.

Mitchell was marked considerably around the face, with his left eye practically closed and his nose bleeding. In the following round his right eye started to swell, and at the end of the session the referee inspected the injuries, but permitted the contest to continue.

Not for long, though, as after 1 minute 45 seconds of the sixth the bout was stopped. Mitchell's handicap was too great, but this should not be allowed to detract from Duffy's victory. He must now be a definite hope for a British title fight.

Hugh Smith, Chapelhall, 140, outpointed Gordon Kirk, Liverpool, 141, over eight by 79½-78½. A lively contest, with the fight continuing after the bell had ended the third, Kirk obviously not hearing it.

Smith was the more accurate and his punches hurt, but Kirk never gave up, and in the final round was still trying hard to pull the fight out of the fire.

John Mount, Wishaw, 153, gained an easy six-rounds points win over Karl McCarthy, Belfast, 152, by 60-58. McCarthy was floored in the second, and Mount showed a good variety of punches, including some good right uppercuts, a punch seldom seen these days, but none more effective.

Willie Booth, Airdrie, 127½, stopped Ginger Bell, Lewisham, 128¼, in the fourth. Both are southpaws, and Booth put the pressure on from the opening bell, with Ginger doing little in the way of retaliation. Bell was decked for nine just prior to the referee's intervention.

John M'Intyre, Paisley, 142, got off the canvas in the second to outscore Cleveland Irvine, Manchester, 138, over six by 59½-58. The decision was not a popular one, and although Irvine looked a bit weary in the closing stages he may have felt he was unlucky not to get even a share of the honors.

▲Anglo-American Sporting Club, London — Former British and European middleweight champion Kevin Finnegan, Iver, 162, outpointed Oscar Angus, Aylesbury, 161½, over eight by 80-78.

The scoreline looks impressive, but Finnegan was made to work hard for his victory, and this was just the sort of fight he needed in order to get back his old form and challenge again for his old titles.

Angus kept throwing punches, not all of them on target, but he did catch Finnegan in the opening session with a right to the head, and was always unwilling to take a backward step.

Finnegan was without doubt the better boxer, and didn't lose a round, but he sure knew he had been in a fight.

Ray Cattouse, Balham, 132, outpointed Lawrence Devanney, Bradford, over eight twos by 60-76½. Devanney was decked in the fourth, but came back pluckily.

Tony Gethin, Abergavenny, 174, outpointed Lloyd Gardner, Acton, 168, over eight twos by 79-78½. A close result, but short on skill, in spite of honest effort.

In a battle of debutants Chris Walker, Retford, 143, outpointed Vernon Van Reill, Jamaica, 138, by 59½-59 over six. Van Reill was down in the second round, but came back well.

▲St. Andrews Sporting Club, Glasgow — John Smith, Glasgow, 153½, outpointed Derek Simpson, Kilmarnock, 149½, over ten rounds to retain his Scottish light-middleweight title. Scoreline was 99-98½ in an excellent contest, but many thought the verdict had gone the wrong way.

Simpson took the fight to his opponent from the first bell, never giving Smith a chance to settle down. Some of his punches were off-target and he was warned for kidney blows and for allegedly hitting Smith low.

After three rounds Smith was able to get his jab working, but Simpson was unperturbed and kept coming forward still. Then came a stroke of luck for Smith. After a clash of heads Simpson was cut by the left eye in the sixth, and this proved quite a handicap, besides enabling Smith to get back into the fight.

It was blow for blow from then on, with Simpson trying hard to shrug off the injury and punch away to the body, and Smith jabbing away frantically to try and clinch the issue.

The announcement of the verdict brought forth protests from many fans, and Simpson can count himself unlucky not to even share the honors.

Nice to see former world flyweight champion Walter McGowan working again. He was in Simpson's corner.

Herbie McLean, Edinburgh, 140, easily outscored Ray Ross, Ardglass, 134, by 80-78, over eight twos, not losing a round. This confirmed a previous win.

A hard contest both having a go, but McClean was the harder puncher, and shook his man on several occasions.

John Mount, Wishaw, 156, outpointed Karl McCarthy, Belfast, 152, over six by 60-58, not losing a round. Mount repeated his win of two weeks earlier. McCarthy looked shaky on several occasions, and was down in the fourth.

Fourth in a row for Willie Booth, Airdrie, 127, who easily outscored Dave Tuohey, Leeds, 131, over six twos by 60-58. Booth was impressive, especially with his strong finish. The experienced Tuohey had been on a winning streak of five.

▲York Hall, London — Southern Area featherweight champion Mark Bliss, Tottenham, 124¾, kept his crown by outpointing Billy Smart, Corby, 126, over twelve rounds by 120-115. This confirmed a previous win.

Bliss proved the stronger of the two in a stamina-sapping contest, reflecting credit on both men. Little in it at half-way, then Bliss forged ahead.

Both had injuries to their left eyes, but kept going, and the difference between them was that Smart tended to fade in the final minute of every round, whereas Bliss never let up.

In the ninth, with Bliss stepping up the pace, he was cut by the left eye, an injury that needed three stitches. Yet he continued to come forward, even though Smart was punching back in desperation.

The last two rounds belonged to Bliss. His punches were accurate, whereas Smart was off-target, and the latter had to take quite a few hard rights to the head in the closing stages.

Mickey Morse, Burnt Oak, 149¼, outpointed Tony Hudson, Peckham, 148, over eight twos by 79½-78½, and the fans showed their appreciation with nobbins of £19.

Fighter Morse overcame boxer Hudson, who had been unbeaten in six previous contests. Hudson showed his skills, but allowed himself to be involved in close-quarter work, where Morse was the better.

Morse experienced no difficulty in dealing with Hudson's southpaw stance, and the latter's nose bled from the second round.

Pat Brogan, Crewe, 164, outpointed Mickey Lock, Croydon, 162, over six twos by 60-58. Lock did well early on, but Brogan was the stronger, and Mickey looked in trouble at the final bell.

Vernon Van Reill, Tottenham, 138½, outpinted Eric Purkis, Battersea, 140½, over six twos by 60-58½. Some good boxing from the winner, and Purkis was shaken on one or two occasions.

Pat Thompson, Liverpool, 177½, had a comfortable points win against Terry Jones, Bow, 194½, scoreline 60-57½ over six. Jones was decked in the opening session, and had it not been for a cut in the fourth over the left eye Thompson could well have won every round.

▲Great International Sporting Club, Nottingham — The lure of the ring proved too great for Noel McIvor, Luton, 138½, who after announcing his retirement five months earlier came back to outpoint southpaw Danny Fearon, Liverpool, 140, over eight by 79-78.

This confirmed a previous win in 1973.

McIvor showed plenty of skills, jabbed well, and was invariably able to keep the aggressive Fearon on the end of his left hand. A good fight to watch.

Eddie Fenton, Leicester, 191, beat John Depledge, Leeds, 190, who was disqualified for persistent holding in the sixth of a scheduled eight. Depledge had been warned on several occasions before being ruled out, and Fenton looked to be winning comfortably.

They have now met four times, with Fenton winning three and losing the other on an eye injury.

Tony Vernon, Kettering, 129, reversed a previous verdict by outscoring Delvin White, Tottenham, 132, by 59½-58. Vernon's work-rate was greater.

Chris Walker, Retford, 144, gained a narrow points win against Sinclair Christie, Ealing, 148¾, by 59-58½ over six. Walker was the more accurate.

▲Midlands Sporting Club, Solihull — Peter Morris, Bridgnorth, 148, kept his unbeaten record by outpointing Mickey Flynn, Manchester, 150, over eight by 79½-77½. Nobbins came in from an appreciative audience.

Morris did well to overcome the handicap of an injured right hand, sustained in the second round, but kept his left working overtime to earn his victory.

Flynn was cut on the forehead in the sixth, but was able to score with southpaw right leads and the occasional left cross. It was Morris's continual pressure that saw him home.

Terry Armstrong, Manchester, 175¾, outpointed George Gray, Aberdeen, 175, over eight by 79½-78, thus confirming a previous win.

Southpaw Gray did his share of the work, and although the result seemed fair, the scoreline might have been closer.

Peter Mullins, Birmingham, 162¼, outscored John Breen, Belfast, 161, over six by the narrow margin of 59-58½. This reversed a previous defeat, but was too close for comfort, and there is little between these two.

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COMMONWEALTH RATINGS

HEAVYWEIGHT

Champion
Richard Dunn (E)
1. Bunny Johnson (J)
2. Billy Aird (E)
3. Fonomanu Sekona (T)
4. Mani Vaka (T)
5. Ngoska Ekwelum (N)
6. Danny McAlinden (I)
7. Eddie Neilson (E)
8. Maile Naimona (Samoa)
9. John L. Gardner (E)
10. Rocky Campbell (Ant)

LIGHT-HEAVYWEIGHT

Champion
Tony Mundine (A)
1. John Conteh (E)
2. Roy John (W)
3. Tim Wood (E)
4. Victor Attivor (G)
5. Phil Martin (E)
6. Johnny Frankham (E)
7. Steve Aczel (A)
8. Gary Summerhays (C)
9. Baby Boy Rolle (J)
10. Phil Matthews (E)

MIDDLEWEIGHT

Champion
Monty Betham (NZ)
1. Bunny Sterling (J)
2. Alan Minter (E)
3. Kevin Finnegan (E)
4. Carlos Marks (Tr)
5. Dave Downey (C)
6. Gary Broughton (C)
7. Larry Paul (E)
8. Semi Bula (A)
9. Bill Knight (E)
10. Carl Speare (E)

LIGHT-MIDDLEWEIGHT

Championship
Vacant
1. Elisha Obed (Bah)
2. Maurice Hope (Ant)
3. Matt Donovan (Tr)
4. Shane Patrick (A)
5. Rocky Patterson (A)
6. Wally Carr (A)
7. Joe Keresi (Fiji)
8. Damiano Pellegrini (C)
9. Tony Poole (E)
10. Jimmy Batten (E)

WELTERWEIGHT

Champion
Clyde Gray (C)
1. John Stracey (E)
2. Rocky Mattioli (A)
3. Fernand Marcotte (C)
4. Eddie Blay (G)
5. Bunny Grant (J)
6. Pat Thomas (SK)
7. Lawrence Hafey (C)
8. Trevor Francis (J)
9. Henry Rhiney (J)
10. Jeff Gale (E)

LIGHT-WELTERWEIGHT

Champion
Hector Thompson (A)
1. Martin Beni (Papua)
2. Ali Afakasi (NZ)
3. Joey Singleton (E)
4. Johnny Summerhays (C)
5. Dave Green (E)
6. Des Morrison (J)
7. Billy Waith (W)
8. Saoul Mamby (J)
9. Ross Eadie (A)
10. Dally Law (A)

LIGHTWEIGHT

Champion
Jonathan Dele (N)
1. Jim Watt (S)
2. Matt Ropis (A)
3. Fitzroy Guiseppe (Tr)
4. Jimmy Revie (E)
5. Tommy Dunn (E)
6. Lionel Rose (A)
7. George McGurk (E)
8. Dave Richards (A)
9. Paul Bink (A)
10. Len Blackmore (Guyana)

FEATHERWEIGHT

Championship
Vacant
1. David Kotey (G)
2. Art Hafey (C)
3. Vernon Sollas (S)
4. Merv Wockner (A)
5. Alan Richardson (E)
6. Tony Ryder (A)
7. George Turpin (E)
8. Jimmy Brown (A)
9. Billy Mulholland (A)
10. Gerry Duffy (S)

BANTAMWEIGHT

Champion
Paul Ferreri (A)
1. Brian Roberts (A)
2. Paddy Maguire (I)
3. Sulley Shittu (G)
4. Paddy Graham (I)
5. Jim West (A)
6. Brian Clout (A)
7. John Kellie (S)
8. Guinea Hillier (A)
9. Jim Slatter (A)

FLYWEIGHT

Championship
Vacant
1. Pat Mambwe (Zam)
2. John McCluskey (S)

Billy Moeller (A) won the vacant and newly-formed Junior lightweight title. He has been ordered to defend against Mama Clay (N). Other Contenders Jimmy Revie (E) and Barry Michael (A).

Historic RING RECORD BOOK Appears In Unmatched 1976 Edition

By DAN DANIEL

A good job, another great boxing book well done. That's the thirty fifth annual edition of THE RING ENCYCLOPEDIA AND RECORD BOOK.

This hefty volume, loaded with the world's fistic records and achievements — and defeats, as well — is a tribute to the long efforts of Nat Loubet, editor of THE RING MAGAZINE, aided by months of assistance from John Ort, an associate editor of the monthly.

Only another member of THE RING staff who has witnessed the untiring labors of Loubet and Ort is in a position to appreciate the hours of editing, compiling and gathering from all parts of the world of material that goes into the annual editions of THE RECORD BOOK.

The yearly RECORD BOOK is a monument to the labors and ingenuity of the late Nat Fleischer, founder of THE RING, in putting together his series of Record Books which are on display in the offices of the magazine.

In 1942 there had been only two annual efforts to collect fistic records.

The first book of any note was the yearly production of Andrews, a Mid Western authority. This annual effort was incomplete.

After Andrews had discontinued publishing his records, the Everlast people began to publish yearly record pamphlets, also incomplete because of their small size.

In 1941 Fleischer decided that the time had come to publish an annual complete volume, not only of records of fighters from all parts of the world, but in addition, historical facts concerning individual records and historical facts going all the way back to the days of Tom Cribb and the origin of bareknuckle fighting in England.

Little did Fleischer realize what he was lining up for himself.

The first RECORD BOOK came out in 1942 and was followed by a yearly volume which added records and facts. Tireless hours of digging into the past made THE RING RECORD BOOK AND ENCYCLOPEDIA a matchless volume.

Nat Fleischer found much appreciated assistance concerning the early history of boxing in the writing of Pierce Egan, the fiery British fistic historian.

Fleischer set out with the determination to make his annual books limited editions. His was a labor of love and not of profit.

Also of great importance was the fact that no fighter was asked to pay to get his record into THE RING history.

It will surprise boxing buffs to know that no fewer than 17,000 records of fighters passed through the hands of Loubet in his compilation of the 1976 volume.

Many records from foreign places never reached the compiler.

In addition, Loubet and Ort got clippings from newspapers all over the world, and information from the 140 correspondents of THE RING MAGAZINE.

WORLD-WIDE FIGHT RESULTS

HEAVYWEIGHTS

Muhammad Ali beat Jimmy Young, to retain the World Heavyweight title.
Ken Norton won from Ron Stander.
Larry Holmes kayoed Fred Ashew, 2, beat Roy Williams.
Johnny Boudreaux outpointed Joe Ghoston, 10.
Duane Bobick beat Scott LaDoux, 10.
Earnie Shavers decisioned Henry Clark, 10.
Richard Dunn stopped Bernard August, 3, E.B.U. vacant heavyweight title.
Mike Schutte kayoed Pat Duncan, 3, Tommy Kost, 2.
Howard Smith boxed John Jordan a no decision in 4.
Tommy Prater decisioned Jody Ballard, 8, kayoed Charley Johnson, 1.
Al Hogan kayoed Pete Francis, 3.
Joe Sprowl halted Reggie Flemming, 2.
Smokey Middleton stopped Ted Paxton, 2.
Bill Hardney beat Sylvester Wilder, 6.
Fred Young Sanford Houpe stopped Oliver Phillips, 5.
John Gardner kayoed Bjorn Rudi, 3, Bobby Walker, 4.
Benito Penna beat Renzo Marcello, 6.
Frank Schram decisioned Sylvester Wilder, 10.
John D'Amore beat Roger Phillips.
Mike Vance kayoed Joe Nitchke, 3.
Biff "The Terror" Cline kayoed Billy Howard and Al Byrd, 1.

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS

Victor Galindez kayoed Harold Skog, 3, retained W.B.A. light heavyweight title, outpointed Jessie Burnett, 10.
Bobby Cassidy stopped Dennis Cochran, 3.
Marvin Johnson kayoed Ray Anderson, 6.
Domenico Adinolfi drew with Victor Attivor, 8.
Mate Parlov stopped Macka Foley, 2.
Miguel Cuello beat Mario Almanzo, 10.
Marvin Camel outpointed Rafael Gutierrez, 10.
Mickey Banks stopped Terry Moser, 3.
Savage Turner beat Nate Gates, 6.
Jerry Celestine outpointed Martin Lewis, 4.

MIDDLEWEIGHTS

Rodrigo Valdez kayoed Max Cohen, 3, W.B.C. middleweight title.
Vito Antuofermo stopped Jean-Claude Warusfel, 14, E.B.U. junior middleweight title.
Tony Licata kayoed Juan Carlos Duran, 10.
Mike Colbert outpointed Casey Gacic, 10.
Bennie Briscoe kayoed Eugene Hart, 1.
Loucif Hamani beat Rudy Robles, 10.
Roy Jones stopped Bill Borchert, 1.
Junior Golden outpointed Bobby Dorado, 4.
Ralph Palladin halted Rocky Halliday, 3.
Mike Nixon stopped Abel Cordova, 4.
Alvaro Lopez kayoed Lee Kahey, 1.
Baby Leroy beat Fonai Leota, 4.
Germano Valsecchi halted Cubby Jackson, 3.
Franz Csandl kayoed Gene Wells, 8.
Reggie Jones beat Charles Buckner, 6.

JUNIOR MIDDLEWEIGHTS

Mike Baker beat Larry Davis, 8.
Juarez de Lima outpointed Miguel de Oliviera, 12.
Edkhard Dagge stopped Marcel Giordanella, 7.
Gene Wells decisioned Gary Broughton, 10.
Maurice Hope kayoed Carl Spear, and Kevin White, 4.
Bruno Arcari drew with Rocky Mattioli, 10.
Dennis Haggerty beat Wayne Lewis, 4.
J.T. Dowe outpointed James Edwards, 6.
Mike Box stopped Jesse Garibay, 2.
Tony Gardner kayoed Ronnie Cichon, 3.

WELTERWEIGHTS

Johnny Gant halted Joe Grier, 8.
Fausto Rodriguez kayoed Kevin Morgan, 1.
Clarence Howard drew with Juan Ramirez, 5.
Joey Vincent beat Manuel Perez, 10.
Billy Bell drew with Ron Perrigrew, 6.
Zeferino Gonzales kayoed Eugene Baldwin, 3, Lupe Hernandez, 1.
Andy Price decisioned Jimmy Jackson, 10.
Chris Gonzalez and Gil Pedroza, T.D. 3.
Larry Bonds beat Julio Gomez, 10.
Billy Backus outpointed Angel Garcia, 10.
Tyrone Phelps drew with John Stiff, 8.

JUNIOR WELTERWEIGHTS

Hector Thompson kayoed Chuck Wilbirn, 10.
Lou Bizzarro defeated Marion Thomas, 10.
Esteban DeJesus stopped Valentin Ramos, 2.
Josue Marquez drew with Frank Benitez, 12.

LIGHTWEIGHTS

Hector Medina stopped Lamar Baskins, 2.
Buzzsaw Yamabe was halted by Alfredo Escalera, 6 W.B.C. junior light title.
Adrian Marrera kayoed Jose Rosa, 5.
Billy Parks stopped Teo Pineda, 3, Senora Fortinel, 3.
Frankie Santore halted Otto Breeding, 5.
Fred Harris kayoed Scotty Foreman, 3.
Jose Luis Lopez outpointed David Bernal, 8.
Rudy Hernandez stopped Ignacio Castaneda, 7.
Jose Pena drew with Juan Areos, 8.
Andrew Ganigan kayoed Dave Bernal, 1.
Marion Thomas beat Larry Moore, 5.
Scotty Foreman halted Adrian Luna, 2.

JUNIOR LIGHTWEIGHTS

Ben Villaflor drew with Samuel Serrano, 15, to retain his World Junior Lightweight Title.
Alfredo Escalera halted Buzzsaw Yamabe, 6, W.B.C. junior lightweight title.
Tyrone Everett stopped Cornell Hall, 3.
Hugo Barraza kayoed Giancarlo Barabotti, 1.
Blakey Matthews decisioned Ray Lunny III, 10.
Walter Seeley kayoed Natalio Jiminez, 9.
Tommy Rose stopped Bobby Richards, 9.
Santos Luis Rivera halted Urbano Guevara, 3.
Mar Basa beat Hector Garcia, 10.

FEATHERWEIGHTS

Alexis Arguello kayoed Modesto Concepcion, 2, non-title.
Art Hafey defeated David Sotelo, 10.
Rigoberto Riasco kayoed Waringe Nakayama, 9, W.B.A. junior bantamweight title.
Octavio Gomez halted Sak Lemthong, 7.
Libio Nolasco kayoed Marcos Britton, 6.
Rodolfo Francis stopped Nelson Cruz Tamariz, 2.
Jose Rosa beat Romeo Anaya, 10.
Francisco Flores halted Gilberto Ortiz, 5.
Roy Hernandez stopped Santiago Hernandez, 9.
Ignacio Osornio kayoed Alex Lopez, 5.
Abdul Bey kayoed Adrian Villanuva, 5.
Manuel Lujan stopped Rubin Coria, 8.
Rudy Villagonza halted Mario Manrique, 1.
Warren Matthews beat Alphonso Evans, 10.

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VILLAFLOR RETAINS TITLE, BUT BARELY

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ground within sixty days." The action was justified, said Cordova, in accordance with a WBA regulation that allows a rematch in cases where title bouts end in draws or a controversial decisions.

Serrano weighed in at 130, Villaflor, 129.

The fight drew poorly, 5,031 fans.

Other results are as follows:

Mar Basa, 131¼, Philippines, beat Hector Garcia, 129¼, Mexico, in 10.

Jose Pena, 136, Puerto Rico, was held to a technical draw by Juan Arcos, 136¼, Mexico. Arcos received an eye cut due to an accidental butt, but Pena was ahead on points at the time of the stoppage.

Andrew Ganigan, 132½, Honolulu, knocked out Dave Bernal, 133, Mexico, in the 1st round.

Rudy Villagonza, 124, Philippines, chilled Mario Manrique, 126, Mexico, in one.

Honolulu now has two boxing promoters but boxing has been in the doldrums and only one fight has been held before the Villaflor title fight.

Conrado Vasquez, 125, Philippines, won over Johnny Jenson, 125, Los Angeles, in ten.

Andrew Ganigan, 133, Honolulu, knocked out Felipe Avila, 134, Mexico, in the 3rd of 10.

Gary Correa, 119¼, Honolulu, defeated Ruben Aguilar, 120½, Mexico, in 6.

Al Diaz, 124½, Philippines, beat Roger Moreno, 125, Mexico, in 6.

Tama Elasi, 156¾, Samoa, knocked out Leo Arrington, 156¼, Chicago, in the 1st of 4.

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ZAMORA BELTS OUT PEDROZA IN TWO

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The next man in the picture with Zamora could be Puerto Rico's undefeated number 3 man in the world Wilfredo Gomez. Also mentioned are Paddy Maguire, British champion and E.B.U. king Daniel Troulaire of France. The W.B.C. champion Rodolfo Martinez is defending his title against Carlos Zarete of Mexico in Los Angeles, California.

ESCALERA Vs. YAMABE BOUT CAUSES RIOT IN JAPAN

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Alfredo's next defense may or may not be against Yamabe. He will have to wait for a ruling from the W.B.C. Other fighters in line for a shot are Puerto Rico's Samuel Serrano, who just boxed a 15 round draw with world junior lightweight king Ben Villaflor, in Honolulu, and Baltimore's undefeated Ronnie McGarvey.

SEELEY WINS ON DISQUALIFICATION

By CHARLES D. BROWN

It hasn't happened in a long time, but it happened tonight. A main event in New York State ended in a disqualification. Junior lightweight contender Walter Seeley was the beneficiary when ref Georgie Coyle heave-hoed Natalio Jiminez (128½; Puerto Rico) at 1:55 of the ninth round for repeated low blows at the spacious Nassau Coliseum (Uniondale, L.I., New York).

It wasn't that Seeley (130; Sayville, L.I., New York) needed Coyle's intervention to win him the fight. In the eight rounds completed up until the verdict, Jiminez had failed to win a round on any of the three scoreboards. He lost the sixth round for low punching. I can't remember the last time this happened, and when that occurs you KNOW it was a long time. Anyway, Seeley was brilliant and may be close to a shot at Alfredo Escalera's junior lightweight title (or his half of it).

Seeley has become more aggressive, he was formerly just a counterpuncher. He floored Jiminez three times, in the second, third, and fifth rounds. None of the knockdowns were that damaging, but they added to the end result of Jiminez being very much outclassed. Things started to get wild in the third when Seeley rattled Jiminez's teeth with straight lefts and Jiminez got his first warning. They fought after the bell, with Jiminez the instigator. In the sixth, Jiminez landed a good right but got warned for low blows twice and lost the round as a penalty. In the eighth, Seeley landed four whistling left hooks, separating Jiminez from his mouthpiece and forcing him to grab hard. In the ninth, Jiminez hit low twice and the ref told him he had better not do it again. Jiminez did it again. Coyle booted him.

The big hit of the prelims was undefeated Long Island welterweight Michael Michaud (145¾), who stayed undefeated by halting Heriberto Vasquez (148; Ponce, Puerto Rico) at 2:50 of the first round. Michaud has a real sock. Vasquez shook all over after catching Michaud's first punch, a right to the jaw. Ref Coyle stopped it when Vasquez was getting bombarded on the ropes. Keep your eyes on Michaud.

John Capobianco (170, Huntington, L.I., New York) outpointed Carlos Novotny (174; Argentina) in a 6. Novotny was lacking in stamina, and after the first three rounds he started to stumble. Capobianco was able to pound him at will in the latter half of the fight and walk off with the decision. Capobianco got cheers for the grand gesture of hurling his gloves into the crowd after the bout.

Al Ware (170, NYC) sprang a mild upset by taking a four-round decision over Irish Wayne Kelly (173½; Garden City, L.I., New York). I say upset because Ware's last fight was a particularly bad one for him. But he was the master of Kelly, touted as a prospect by some. Ware landed some heavy right hands while Kelly's defense was bad, and he appeared unsettled by the easy way that Ware was handling him.

In a six-round featherweight match, 18-year old Marcos Barahona outpointed the veteran Jose Resto (129; NYC). I figured Resto for the win. His punches were lighter, but there were more of them. He conceded 6 pounds to the 135-pound Barahona, of Nicaragua. Both men utterly lacked power and the bout did not interest the fans.

Eddie Davis (174; Freeport, L.I., New York) outpointed D. C. Walker in six rounds. The 167-pound Connecticut fighter mostly flitted around the ring, defying the undefeated Davis to catch him. Davis couldn't take Walker up on that until the last round, when he sent D. C. sprawling through the ropes for a 5 count and set his mouth to bleeding. Davis easily won.

Randy Gordon (122, Freeport, L.I., New York) a writer and editorial assistant for a major boxing monthly, decided that he should try pro fighting, which he did. However, Gerard Odom (126, Long Island area) sized Gordon up in the first round and at 1:30 of the second knocked him completely cold with a right to the jaw. Paddy Flood, Gordon's second, was in the ring before the count was completed, dousing the unconscious fighter-writer with water. After five rather anxious minutes, oxygen finally brought Gordon around and he recovered nicely. Throughout the rest of the evening, stident rumors circulated that Mr. Gordon had announced his retirement from the ring.

▲Old-time heavyweight contender Two-Ton Tony Galento was among the spectators who watched the six-bout card, which was topped by a pair of heavyweight eight-rounders. In the eight-round main event, Gregory Johnson (213; Bronx) won an eight-round unanimous verdict over dumpy but durable Sergio Rodriguez (201; Haiti). The hard-punching Johnson couldn't chip Rodriguez's rubber-like hide despite the use of every punch in his armory. Rodriguez tried wallpapering himself to Johnson's body to nullify his power, but he still received many powerful rights to the head that occasionally hurt him. It was a good fight, with both men showing off their best assets. Rodriguez slumped to a 14-5-1 record; Johnson is now 6-1.

In the eight-round semi-final, C.J. Bar Brown (202½; Bronx) unanimously outpointed Ernie Lassiter (195; Newark) to win his ninth straight without a loss. Lassiter is a protege of former welterweight contender Charley Fusari, who seconded him. Brown is another one of those Muhammad Ali imitators who fight flamboyantly and talk loudly. Lassiter, a workmanlike gent with a fair sock, suffered a glove-tip knockdown in the second round, no damage done. Lassiter had Brown down for 8 later in the round and Brown's discomfort was genuine. He somehow survived a battering until the bell rang. Brown then stuck to classic boxing for the most part, scoring well with jabs and occasional uppercuts in ring centre. But Lassiter was always dangerous and Brown couldn't rest for a minute. The crowd did not like the decision. Lassiter made the impression. Brown suffered by trying to copy Ali too much; and the image of him on the canvas in the second round was still fresh.

The preliminaries contained some quick knockouts in the grand old style. Most prominent was the spectacular KO by Ray Hammond (N.Y.C.) over Al Fletcher (146½; Bronx). At 2:39 of the second round, Hammond landed on Fletcher's jaw and Fletcher fell face down with such a dreadful thud that every fan in the place was sure that he had broken his nose. Fletcher attempted to rise but fell sidewards to be counted out. Hammond weighed 149½ and raised his record to 8-1.

Felix Perez (135; Puerto Rico) was equally impressive in winning his eighth consecutive fight without a loss. Reuben Vasquez (138; NYC) was the recipient of a combination to the chin almost immediately and hit the deck for nine. Once up, Vasquez was hobbling around like an amputee might and ref Herbie Kronowitz wisely stopped it. Time—2:41 of the first round.

Leo Rodgers (174½; Dominican Republic) scored a TKO when Eddie Mallard (176; Jersey City) couldn't enter the third round due to a gory cut on the left cheek. Rodgers was clearly the better man, with hard punches to Mallard's head.

In another six-round prelim, Maximo Pierret (149½; Dominican Republic) very convincingly outpointed Don Morgan (146; Nashville, Tennessee). Pierret floored Morgan in the opening heat with two left hooks to the jaw and had it all his own way from then on. Most interesting moment was watching Morgan run clear around the ring in the last round, trying to shake the effects of a right-handed barrage by Pierret. Pierret should be fighting here again, since he proved himself very capable.

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RINGSIDE WITH "SAILOR" DON SAUER

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the city building inspectors condemned the joint until repairs could be made. Reason Silverman operates at the dilapidated arena is because rent is cheap and he can get the young kids the action and experience they need. At the Boston Garden rent is too high for what he would draw without "names". . . . Veteran gal promoter Aileen Eaton, who operates at the Olympic in Los Angeles, paid the late former light heavyweight champion Maxie Rosenbloom a tribute when she said, "I knew Maxie for about 30 years, and he was always a gentleman. He never disgraced himself or the fight business," something not many can say truthfully. . . .California lightweight Jimmy Heair doesn't have it anymore. It is sad to see the demise of one so young—he is only 23. It seems to this corner that Heair's reflexes are gone. He should grab a couple of decent paydays and then get the hell out, his good days are far behind him. . . .Alexis Arguello, the W.B.A. featherweight champion, had not retired—as reported in some sports articles around the country—the false news of the popular Nicaraguan was a sham apparently to salvage payment to his estranged wife. Al Silvani is Arguello's new trainer and he has several lucrative fight offers for this summer. . . .The retirement of Bobby Chacon, apparently irrevocable, was no big surprise after lacklustre showings in his two most recent outings—both slim victories. The desire is gone, and with a healthy bank account, really, who needs it??? Filipino fight fancier, George Enebrad, of Stockton, California, has imported island featherweight king Colley Saloma for California action. He's from Ioilo, home of such noted fistic performers of yesteryear as Speedy Dado, Pancho Villa, Little Dado and Small Montana. . .real fine company. Now if Saloma can only fight half as well as this group. . .wow!!!! Herman Taylor, Philadelphia fight promoter, hit his 89th milestone on May 1st. Taylor was the promoter of the Jack Dempsey-Gene Tunney bout on September 23, 1926, in the City of Brotherly Love (if there is such a thing existing anymore) Herman is still in there punching and looking for another heavyweight title match before he quits the business. What is happening in Chicago. . .there has been little ring action in the Windy City—this was always a good spot for big shows and big names. . . .?? Good to hear that Danny Spunt, Chicago fight manager who suffered a stroke a while back, is on the road to recovery. . . .Al Roth, former New York lightweight who boxed Tony Canzoneri for the title, is with West Publishing Co. in New York. . . .When Jerry Quarry was asked if he missed the boxing profession he said, "About as much as I miss Joe Frazier's left hook.". . .There is a good possibility that a movie will be made on the life of Young Stribling, based on Jimmie Jones book on Strib's life—"King Of the Canebrakes." Max Baer, Jr., former star of the TV program "Beverly Hillbillies" is now producing movies, his latest being "Macon County Line," and he is interested in making the Stribling story. Baer is the son of the former late champion. . . .This is nothing new for a top boxer—fighting a wrestler—Jack Dempsey took on Cowboy Luttrell in Atlanta, Georgia, many years ago for a measly $5,000—Tony Galento boxed wrestler Fred Blassie in Omaha for a paltry $2,500—so Ali and Inoki—well, the name of the game is to sell tickets—what else is there—and MONEY is the thing. . .!! California battler, Randy Shields has reached his peak, I am afraid. Against Vicente Saldivar, second time around, he tried to slap the guy to hell. Saldivar had him going backwards and Randy was lost. In general Randy has not learned a thing since his brilliant amateur career. . . .Jesus Pimental, who was a ranking fighter on the west coast a while back, has opened up a brand new gym in Los Angeles. . . .Good to hear that Bob Satterfield, former ranking heavyweight of the fifties, from Chicago, is on the mend after being a sick pup. . .a speedy and complete recovery to you, Bob. . . .

LUJAN KAYOS CORIA IN EIGHT

By CHRISTOPHER COATS

San Jose, Calif. — Manual Lujan of San Diego knocked out Ruben Coria of Los Angeles in the eighth round of a scheduled ten. The winner of this match was promised a fight with California featherweight champ Alberto Ryes.

Both Coria and Lujan weighed in at 127. Lujan had a lot more determination and fighting spirit. Also a fine left jab and an ability to counter punch effectively.

In the second round Coria was dropped to the canvas with a looping right hand to the side of the head. Midway through the eighth the referee finally halted the fight when Lujan was pounding away against a helpless and tired Coria.

Lujan is just nineteen years old. Last year he had some good wins that seemed to indicate he was a potential world class fighter. However a punctured ear drum, a layoff from fighting and then dropping two consecutive decisions (one to Coria four months ago) cast doubt over his future.

In the opening bout Danny Brewer and Pete McIntyre, both light heavyweights from Los Angeles, fought to an unpopular draw. Since the approximate 500 fans who attended the show booed the referee and judges cards it was impossible for this writer to determine who they thought won.

In the only other fight Roman Contreras was awarded a split decision win over Miguel Meza. Both fighters were from Los Angeles and both weighed in at 126.

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Escobar is of Puerto Rican ancestry and first saw the light of day in Barcelona, Puerto Rico, on March 23, 1913. The 5′ 4″ fighter, managed by Lew Brix, made a unique career out of winning and losing the bantamweight title.

In 1934 he won the WBA title from Baby Casanova, lost it the following year to Lou Salica in New York and then rewon the crown in a return with Salica the same year.

In August of 1936 Sixto won the world bantamweight title from Tony Marino in New York, but kept to form by losing it to Harry Jeffra.

Sixto, Salica and Jeffra bounced the title around until 1938 when Sixto won a fifteen round decision from Jeffra once again to hold the crown on his noggin.

Escobar held his title until weight became a problem, and he vacated his throne in October of 1939. He had three more contests over the next year and retired to go into the army in 1941.

After coming out of the armed forces Sixto got himself involved in Puerto Rican politics and became a part of the Park Recreation Program. He is currently the Commissioner of Baseball on the island.

Which brings us to the second entrant to The Moderns Hall of Famers—one Judah Bergman, known in the ring as Jackie Kid Berg and nicknamed The Whitechapel Whirlwind.

The British Jew was born in London, England, June 28, 1909, and became the junior welterweight champion of the world.

He started his professional career in 1924 and ended his gloved hostilities some 197 fights later, after British army service during World War II.

His last ring encounter was against Johnny McDonald, a winning effort, in May of 1945.

He will be remembered not only for his title, but also for the titles he didn't win and the type of talent he crossed gloves with.

Berg fought Tony Canzoneri in two wars that were losing attempts to annex the world lightweight title, and fought guys like Kid Chocolate, Aldo Spoldi, Laurie Stevens, Pedro Montanez, Tippy Larkin, Eric Boon, Ernie Roderick, to mention a few.

Berg is currently taking parts on radio, television and the cinema.

The third new member of Moderns is Joey Maxim, born March 28, 1922, in Cleveland, Ohio, as Guiseppe Antonio Berardinelli.

Joey was managed in his fistic career by Jack Kearns, a wizard as a manger, but not always so good financially for his charges.

Maxim began his pay for punch bit in 1941 and continued to pound leather against 115 foes until he announced his retirement in 1959.

He spent some time as a physical instructor in the air force, where he won 14 out of 15 service bouts and then in 1944 picked up his professional career where he had left it off to go into the service.

A "fancy dan", who could box the ears off a slugger, he was a beauty to watch as he plied his trade. He fought some of the toughest cookies around, not always winning, but no one ever ran over him.

He had a go with men like Lloyd Marshall, Phil Muscato, Henry Cooper, Bearcat Jones, Jersey Joe Walcott, Joe Kahut, Bob Satterfield, Ezzard Charles.

It was now 1949 and Gus Lesnevich lost a 15 rounder to Maxim in Cincinnati for the American light heavyweight title.

Joey went through three more opponents that year and then in his first outing in 1950 met Freddie Mills in London and knocked out Mills in the 10th round to win the world light heavyweight title.

In 1951 he challenged Ezzard Charles for the heavyweight title and lost a 15 rounder. He finally lost his light heavyweight bauble to Archie Moore in 1952. Although he fought through 1958 most of these later contests were losing efforts. His last win of note was his 8 round decision over Floyd Patterson in Brooklyn, N.Y. in 1954, in the Eastern Parkway Arena.

Joey ran into bad luck financially and recently was driving a cab, but all that is over as reports reach us that Joey now has a responsible job in Las Vegas.

There were many runners up who came close to election but who didn't quite make the gate. And there is one fighter, Floyd Patterson, who would have been elected but for the fact that he has not announced his retirement and as late as last year was thinking of a comeback. A fighter must be inactive for two or more years to be eligible.

Some of those high up in the running were: Nino Benvenuti, Jake LaMotta, Panama Al Brown, Ike Williams, Bob Montgomery, Billy Graham, Carlos Ortiz, Ismael Laguna, Pascal Perez, Petey Scalzo, Bobo Olson, Tommy Farr, Randy Turpin, Pone Kingpetch and Willie Pastrano. Many others received votes but the foregoing were close to receiving the magical 75% needed for election.

WBA FLY KING LOPEZ BEATS OGUMA IN 15

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ended with Lopez stopping Erbito in the last round, to win the title, last February.

Shoji Oguma, 112, once held the W.B.C. flyweight crown. He outpointed Betulio Gonzalez over 15 rounds, in Tokyo, on October 1, 1974. He previously lost to Gonzalez five months earlier in a non-title bout. On January 8, 1975, Shoji boxed Mexico's Miguel Canto for the vacant world flyweight crown. He lost a 15 round nod to Canto, in Sendai, Japan. Since then Oguma has won 4 bouts in his quest for this title contest against Lopez. He kayoed all four men.

The fight itself was a one-sided affair. Lopez started fast and stayed on top of Oguma, not giving the local boy much of a chance to land any telling blows. There was one knockdown in the bout. Oguma was on the deck in the second round from a right hand.

From the fourth to the seventh the champion landed with good right hands to the face of Oguma. But the local scored with some good combos himself. Shoji opened a cut over the left eye of Lopez.

Alfonso really came on strong over the last five rounds. He landed good powerful left hooks and hard right hands to the head and body of Oguma. Shoji held on most of the way, only to lose a 15 round split decision.

Scoring as follows: American referee Larry Rozadillia and Panamanian judge Rodolfo A. Hill had it 72-65 and 73-67 for Lopez. Japanese judge Hiroyuki Tezaki called it a draw at 71-71.

Lopez hopes he can get a match with Miguel Canto of Mexico, the world champion, to clear the two champion problem in the flyweight division. Others in line for a shot at the crown are: Betulio Gonzalez, Venezuela, Ignacio Espinal, Dominican Rep., Luis Estabe, Venezuela. There is also talk of a local championship match with Jaime Rios in Panama City this summer.

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By JACK A. TREE

Bruno Arcari, Italy, ex-WBC Jr. welter champ, drew in 10 with Italian/Australian Rocky Mattioli.

Scano Wins Vacated Euro Welter Title

CAGLIARE — Italian Marco Scano won John H. Stracey's vacated European welterweight title, knocking out Briton Pat Thomas in round two. Two other Britons, Howard Winstone and Ken Buchanan, had won Euro battles in Sardinia. Thomas won the British title four months ago. He was five years younger than Scano and has now had 32 fights, won 25, lost 4 drawn 2 and 1 "No Contest." Scano has won all his 17 fights in Cagliari and has won 34 and drawn 2 of his 39 professional contests.

EUROPEAN RATINGS

Heavyweights
* Richard Dunn (GB)
1. Jean Pierre Coopman (B)
2. Bernd August (G)
3. Dante Cane (I)
4. Alfio Righetti (I)
5. Lorenzo Zanon (I)
6. Benito Penna (I)
7. Bjorn Rudi (N)
8. Bepi Ros (I)
9. Jan Lubbers (H)
10. Mario Baruzzi (I)

Junior Middles
* Vito Antuofermo (I)
1. Eckhard Dagge (G)
2. Antonio Cassellini (I)
3. Jose Duran (S)
4. Franz Csandl (A)
5. Mimoun Mahatar (S)
6. Dum Dum Pacheo (S)
7. Jean Claude Warusfel (F)
8. Moises Fajardo (S)
9. Damiano Lassandro (I)
10. Aldo Bentini (I)

Lightweight
* Fernand Roelands (B)
1. Svein Erik Paulsen (N)
2. Giancarlo Usai (I)
3. Andre Holyk (F)
4. Antonio Puddu (I)
5. Vincent Quero (I)
6. Jeronimo Lucas (S)
7. Rosario Sanne (I)
8. Isidoro Cabeza (S)
9. Claude Lormeau (F)
10. Giancarlo Barabotti (I)

Light heavies
* Domenico Adinolfi (I)
1. Aldo Traversaro (I)
2. Harold Skog (N)
3. Freddy DeKerpel (B)
4. Leo Kakolewicz (G)
5. Mate Parlov (Y)
6. Christian Poncelet (F)
7. Ennio Cometti (I)
8. Francisco Fiol (I)
9. Rudi Lubbers (H)
10. Yannick Dufour (F)

Welterweights
* Marco Scano (I)
1. Bruno Arcari (I)
2. Luciano Boracia (I)
3. Domenico DiJorio (I)
4. Guissepe Russi (I)
5. Giovanni Molesini (I)
6. Georges Warusfel (F)
7. Nicola Sassane lli (I)
8. Jorgen Hansen (D)
9. James Vrij (H)
10. Antonio Chiodoni (I)

Junior lights
* Roland Cazeaux (F)
1. Rudi Haeck (B)
2. Natale Vezzoli (I)
3. Giuseppe Mura (I)
5. Giovanni Girgenti (I)
6. Ugo Poli (I)
7. Michele Siracusa (I)
8. Georges Cotin (F)
9. Rodolfi Sanchez (S)
10. Luis Aisa (S)

Middleweights
* Bunny Sterling (GB)
1. Jean Mateo (F)
2. Frank Reiche (G)
3. Gratien Tonna (F)
4. Max Cohen (F)
5. Angelo Jacopucci (I)
6. Roberto Benacquista (I)
7. Jose Hernandez (S)
8. Trento Fachiocchi (F)
9. Poul Knudsen (D)
10. Germando Valsecchi (I)

Junior Welters
* Cemal Kamaci (T)
1. Perico Fernandez (S)
2. Jose Gomez Fouz (S)
3. Primo Bandini (I)
4. Bruno Freshi (F)
5. Jean Saadli (F)
6. Jean Baptiste Piedvache (F)
7. Romano Fanali (I)
8. Miguel Velasquez (S)
9. Ernesto Bergamesco (I)
10. Jesus de la Rosa (S)

Featherweights
* Elio Cotena (I)
1. Albert Amatler (F)
2. Nevio Carbi (I)
3. Sergio Emilio (I)
4. Nimo Jiminez (S)
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7. Gino Jiminez (S)
8. Ramon Garcia Marichal (S)
9. Pasqualino Morbidella (I)
10. Jose Bisbal (S)

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* Daniel Trioulaire (F)
1. Salvatore Fabrizio (I)
2. Ambrogio Mariani (I)
3. Guy Caudron (F)
4. Fernando Bernandez (S)
5. Luigi Tessarin (I)
6. Jacky Bihin (F)
7. Teodoro Coralli (I)
8. Rodriguez Figueroa (S)
9. Bob Allotey (S)
10. Lucio Vailati (I)

Flyweights
* Franco Udella (I)
1. Franco Sperati (I)
2. Fritz Chervet (Switz)
3. Franco Buglione (I)
4. Emilio Pireddu (I)
5. Christian Martin (F)
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ITALY

▲**Trapani** — Junior lightweight Giovanni Girgenti outscored Franco Diana, eight.
▲**Milan** — Luciano Boracia outscored Domenico DiJorio, Twelve, to win the vacant Italian welterweight title. Light heavyweight, Ennio Cometti beat Victor Varon, TKO3. Middleweight Guerrino Cipriani and Giuseppe Borghi drew, eight rounder.
▲**Latina** — Welterweight, Giuseppe Carbonara outpointed Adriano Rodriguez, eight. Lightweight, Ugo Di Pietro drew his eight rounder with Jose Luis Ribeiro.
▲**Gorizia** — Junior lightweight, Nevio Carbi beat Dante Guearnieri who retired with a cut in round three.
▲**Milan** — Jean Claude Warusfel, French champion, failed in his third attempt to win a European title. He was beaten in fourteen rounds by junior middleweight champion Vito Antuofermo, Italy, in Milan. He had previously failed against Yolande Leveque (1966) and Jacques Kechichian (1973).
▲**Milan** — 33 year old Bruno Arcari, Italy, former WBC junior welterweight champion, drew in a ten-rounder with the Italian/Australian, Rocky Mattioli. Arcari sustained a cut eyebrow and broke his left hand in the battle. Arcari has had 70 bouts, winning 68 with his last taste of defeat being in 1966.

FRANCE

▲**Paris** — George Warusfel beat Eddie Davis, who retired with a cut eye in round nine. Middleweight, Vincent Parra beat Tim McHugh, who was disqualified in the sixth. Junior lightweight, Georges Cotin decisioned Carlos Foldes, eight. Light heavyweight, Alain Riviere and Gene Wells drew, six rounder.
▲**Dunkirk** — Junior welterweight, Jo Kimuani beat Beau Jaynes, TKO 4.
▲**Compiegne** — Victor Attivor, Ghana, outscored former French light heavyweight champion, Robert Amory, ten.
▲**St. Brieuc** — Birmingham based Jamaican light heavyweight tony allen, beat Bela Apolasa, Zaire, the towel being thrown in during round six.
▲**Marseilles** — Gratien Tonna won back his French middleweight title, knocking out Jules Bellaiche with a left hook in round two. Tonna took heavy punishment in the opening round and was hurt with uppercuts. Tonna had to make several trips to the scales to make the weight.
▲**Dunkirk** — Guy Caudron, France, outscored Jeff Pritchard, Wales, ten. Pritchard, losing his first professional bout should at least have shared the points.
▲**Paris** — Junior welterweight Jean Baptiste Piedvache decisioned Ricardo Arredondo, ten. Middleweight, Miguel Angel Castelini outscored Radames Cabrera, ten. Claude Martin outpointed Michel Chapier, ten. Welterweight, Frankie Young beat Mongi Ladhili, KO6. Alain Marion decisioned Jean Claude Tellier, six. Light heavyweight, Sylvain Watbled outscored Jean Tshikuna, six.
▲**Paris** — Junior Middleweight, Joel Bonnetaz decisioned Daniel Martin, Ten. Lightweight Gilbert Cohen outscored Mohamed Mechlia, six.
▲**St. Naize** — Light heavyweight Michel Dylbaitis beat Charles Labat, TKO1.
▲**Grenoble** — Lightweight, Jean Claude Sider beat Pascal Real Martin, TKO3.
▲**Charleville** — Christian Poncelet retained his French light heavyweight title, beating Jean Claude Capitolin in 2:45 of round one.
▲**Joeuf** — Welterweight, Didier Kowalski outscored Ali Messaoud, eight.
▲**Nice** — Bantamweight, Daniel Trioulaire, France, decisioned Luigi Tessarin, Italy, in a ten-rounder with no title at stake. Welterweight, Jacques van Mellaerts outpointed Luis Lara Acosta, ten.
▲**Blois** — Lightweight, Jean Pierre Hainault outpointed Ernesto Miranda, ten.
▲**Lourches** — Junior welterweight, Kid Bukasa beat Rene Vanderbregh, TKO1
▲**Meaux** — Featherweight, Gerard Jacob outscored Christian Valentin, eight.
▲**Paris** — Welterweight, Louis Acaries outpointed Jean Paul Serra, six. Didier Kowalski beat Saladin Tebessi, KO4. Lightweight, Laheem Maghfour decisioned Michel Lecerf, six.
▲**Toulon** — Welterweight, Trevor Francis decisioned Alain Ruocco, ten.
▲**Sous les Bois** — Welterweight, Georges Perrot beat Antoine Capuano, TKO2. Dominque Sebbane beat Georges Goethyms, TKO2.
▲**Beuvry le Bethune** — Welterweight, Jean Michel Vantourex beat Joseph Sissaoui, KO2.

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HARRIS DECISIONS ORR IN 8

By JIM BRADY

Chicago, Ill. — "I came. . . I saw. . . I conquered," was once grandly proclaimed by the Roman Emperor Julius Caesar.

The same eloquent phrase could apply to another branch of the "royal" family, to Boxing's Clow Prince-Freddie "The Stepper" Harris.

Harris, 136, of Bossier City, La., notched his 4th victory in 5 local outings by winning a spirited 8 round unanimous decision over last-minute substitute Bobby Orry, 153, Chicago.

Conceding 17 pounds in weight and at least 2 inches in height, "The Stepper" was at his crowd-pleasing best; and his rapid two-fisted flurries enabled him to win handily.

In the 3rd round Harris dropped Orr with a hard left hook and the end appeared to be near. But Bobby gamely staggered erect and although he'd not trained in nearly 4 months miraculously lasted the distance.

Harris is now hoping for a shot at highly touted "Termite" Watkins.

In the scheduled 8 round co-feature: Santiage "Chago" Valdez, 146, Muncie, Ind. KO'ed James Wallace, 141, Shreveport, La. in 1.

Unbeaten Cornell Verse, 189, Chicago, Ill. KO'ed Ricky Isom, 212, Richmond, Ind. in 1.

Al "Firebrand" Clay, 158, Chicago, won an interesting 6 round decision over arch-rival Fred Reed, 161, Chicago. Clarence Griffin's boxer-puncher is now 7-2.

In the first women's match in the state's history, Ann "Wonder Woman" Roberts, 118, Tyler, Texas, outpointed Kathy Franklin, 116, Flint, Michigan, in 4 rounds.

Promoter Jack Cowen's 5 bout card held at spacious De Paul University drew a sparce crowd of less than 1000 fans.

Although newspaper coverage with the exception of the Chicago Tribune's Neil Milbert was at best spotty, radio and television coverage was simply fantastic!

Ann Roberts, one of the female boxers, was on TV 5 times in the 2 days before the fight. In addition, there was good coverage in the Black and Latin communities.

Yet the gate was a stunning disappointment. Nonetheless, Cowen is in the boxing business to stay and remains confident he'll be able to bring the sport back to its once lofty position in the Windy City.

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SCHUTTE DEMOLISHES U.S.'S DUNCAN IN 4, IN DURBAN

By ED CLARK

Durban, South Africa — Mike Schutte, National heavyweight titleholder demolished Pat Duncan, U.S.A. in four rounds at the West Ridge Park Tennis Stadium before 10,000 cheering spectators.

Schutte's bombs had the American all at sea and the finisher had Duncan on his feet adopting a boxing stance. Clean thru his defense Schutte shot a murderous right and down went the visitor and the referee halted the massacre.

Dencan, the better boxer, began confidently by jabbing the big Schutte and Schutte was wild with roundhouse blows. But his timing was spot on despite his crudeness. Schutte bored into his opponent in the second, and midway Duncan was pushed thru the ropes and landed on the press table.

Duncan fared even better in the third with jabs and a good right showed promise but emerged from the round with a cut over the right eye which bled freely.

Good corner work helped the cut and Duncan caught Schutte with combinations. Another wild right by Schutte caught Duncan flush on the jaw and down he went after flopping helplessly on the ropes. How he beat the count was a mystery, but the next blow sent him down again before the closure.

Pierre Fourie won hands down, taking all but one round, which was even, against German light heavy champion Leo Kakolewicz. This 10 round bout had what the boxing enthusiast wanted but it was a one way street as the faster Fourie showing a fine return to form after the Kates debacle.

Fourie's left jab operated like a slick oiled ramrod and connected with streams of jabs without reply. At no stage did the German who was reputed to be a man with a hefty punch, look like turning the tide.

To make matters worse Fourie switched to southpaw stance and the visitor was sure bewildered. Many of Kakolewicz's blows were made to miss by the moving of the head or they were taken on the arms.

Doug Lumley KO'ed unfit Davy Koen, 2, middleweights; Tony Clarke iced Freddy Rust, 2, lightweights; Leo Wilken shaded Robbie Baronet, 4, feathers; Willie Hawkey decisioned Errol Dixon, 4, welterweights.

▲Port Elizabeth — 8,000 fans crammed the Swide Stadium to see bantamweight champion Chris Dlamini score a convincing points win over Socrates Batoto of the Philippines over 10 rounds.

It was a slow, colorless bout up to the sixth, with the Filipino scoring with a left jab and Dlamini content to counterpunch but then the pace speeded up and Dlamini attacked strongly, scoring with left and right combinations. Batoto scored with this left again and Dlamini's nose was bleeding. With Batoto out for an inside the distance win the fight reached a crescendo and continued to a thrilling climax. The decision was well received by the visiting boxer.

Bashew Sibaca won the Northwestern Cape featherweight title by scoring a 10 round decision over Guy Ratazayo. Wildon Mkwadleka decisioned Philip Masemola, 8, junior lightweights; Cecil Baatjies outpointed Nkululeko Sandi, 8, feathers; Phindile Gaika outscored Mcenizeli Stootman, 6, bantams.

▲Vereeniging — Results from the tournament held at George Stadium, Sharpeville: Morgan Moledi retained Transvaal junior middleweight title outscoring Mike Ramagole, 10; David Kambule won over Sydney Tshabalala, 6, light; Petrus Motaung decisioned David Mokhele, 6, junior welters; Jaconia Kobela outpointed Jacob Hlanyane, 4, bantams and Daniel Motsiri and Andries Mthembu drew 4, feathers.

▲Johannesburg — All four South African boxers defeated their German opponents at the Ellis Park Tennis Stadium. Kallie Knoetze took one minute 40 seconds to demolish Karsten Honhold in their heavyweight bout. Knoetze wasted no time as he tore into his opponent with a flurry of blows, and the German was sent to the canvas three times before the towel was mercifully thrown in.

Gerrie Coetzee, another heavyweight prospect, clearly beat Harmut Sasse on points over six rounds. Coetzee had his man going many times but lacked experience to end the fight.

Andries Steyn defeated Lothar Abend by a knockout in the third round. It was a right hook to the body that finished the fight. This lightweight bout in which Steyn who had not fought for several months began cautiously, but in the second Steyn drove Abend into a corner with a flurry of blows and Abend emerged with a cut over his right eye. Steyn picked his blows in the third landing hard punches to the head and then body blow that ended the fight.

Gert Steyn, the welter and junior middleweight titleholder, found his left hooks finding the mark against Peter Scheibner and the visitor was being battered and when his right eye was badly cut the fight was terminated in the fourth round.

Jan Kies, middleweight champion, took Steve Els out of the picture with a left hook to the body and a left to the head in the first. Johan Burger decisioned Manuel de Paiva, 4, featherweights.

▲Pretoria — Kallie Knoetze in his third pro fight took three rounds to dispose of German Horst Lang at the "C" Hall, Showgrounds in a heavyweight bout scheduled for six rounds. Knoetze was surprisingly wary in the first, but in the second he went after Lang with a barrage of left hooks and Lang went down. The bell rang soon after and in the third another two heavy right hooks plus a flurry of blows and it was over in 1 minute and 52 seconds.

The battle of southpaws was between Dirk van der Westhuizen junior welterweight titleholder and German Juergen Voss. van der Westhuizen was the winner of an uninspiring bout as the visitor boxed exclusively on the defense and the S. African's right jab found its target with regularity. The running and counter punch tactics of Voss had the South African's long jab being used to good effect, over the eight rounds.

Harold Volbrecht caused a surprise when he defeated Gert Craemer on points over 4 rounds in the welterweight division. Craemer was sent to the canvas in the first with a succession of left hooks but rose and rallied strongly as the fight progressed.

Pierre de Beer KO'ed Johan de Beer, 1, middleweights; Eddie Mileham and Hansie van Rooyen, drew, 4, lightweights; Robert Kleynhans outpointed Sias Bosch, 4, middleweights.

▲Natalspruit — Results from tournament at Huntersfield Stadium, Natalspruit; Norman Sekgapane retained his S. African lightweight title by outpointing Rolly Xipu on points over 12 rounds; Daniel Mapanya TKO'ed Meshack Dhlamini, 3, middleweights; Fred Baker decisioned Elias Tshabalala, 6, featherweights; Gilbert Makenete outscored Meshack Mazibuko, 4, flyweights; Joseph Mohlala and Martin Nooi drew 4, welters; Petrus Sikhosana drew with Louis Sibiya, 4, junior middleweights; Alfred Sibisi TKO'ed Alpheus Kgapola, 3, lightweights.

▲Stanger — At last Elijah "Tap Tap" Makhathini is the South African middleweight king. He stopped Victor Ntloko in the seventh round when the referee stopped the fight held at the Stanger Sports grounds. "Tap Tap" had been unsuccessful in two fights against Sydney Hoho and when Hoho moved up a division Ntloko and "Tap Tap" were signed to box for the vacant title.

Makhathini made no mistake this time as he stormed into the attack from the opening bell and won at least five of the six rounds. It was "Tap Tap's" left hook that won the fight and nearly had Ntloko going in the fourth. In the fifth Makhathini opened a bad cut on Ntloko's left eyebrow and Ntloko enraged by this infliction pulled out all the stops and won the sixth with left and right uppercuts. It was Ntloko's undoing for he ran out of steam leaving Makhathini to attack strongly and Ntloko was receiving left hooks without reply when the fight was stopped.

▲Johannesburg — Gerrie Coetzee became the Transvaal heavyweight king two minutes 35 second in the ninth round after hammering Jimmy Richards at the Portuguese Hall, Turffontein. Richards is finished for the raw 20 year old Coetzee a head hunter hammered Richards who had his face in a mask of blood and reeling about the ring when referee Stan Christodoulou stopped the fight. Richards showed tremendous gameness, but was a sucker for long right hand punches to the head and also a right to the heart. Richards crowed his man from the start but ran into trouble and Coetzee won nearly every round.

Jan Kies the middleweight titleholder KO'ed Dominic Germishuys, 2. Andries Steyn, lightweight champion also stopped his opponent, Hansie van Rooyen on a KO in the third.

Eddie Mileham KO'ed Johan Burger, 4, junior lightweights; Robbie Kleynhans decisioned Fred Berry, 4, middleweights; Boesman Potgieter TKO'ed Gert Griffin, lightweights; Willie Marais outpointed Tokkie Griffin, 4, middleweights.

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TGE16 - Elastic Wrist (No Laces)	90.00 (set of 4)	67.50

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TBRH - Terry cloth, hood Full Length - White Only	36.00	27.00
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TRH - Terry cloth, Finger Tip with Hood - White Only	34.00	25.50

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KNOCKOUTS GALORE IN ARGENTINA

By SIMON BRONENBERG and ALFREDO PORZIO

▲**Barranqueras** — In the light heavy class Raul Loyola beat Ramon Cerrezuela by a TKO in seventh round.

▲**Canada de Gomez** — In the welter division Oscar Lopez decisioned Luis Correa in 8.

▲**Salta** — In the middle class Hugo Corro outscored Hugo Obregon in 10. **Lights** — Miguel Figueroa and Carlos Ibanez, drew in 10.

▲**Corrientes** — Rodolfo Ibarra stopped (TKO 2) David Pavon. They are welters.

▲**Zarate** — In the feather class Ramon Gonzalez outpointed Ernesto Fernandez in 10.

▲**Darlaux** — In the middle division Alfredo R. Cabral kayoed Natalio Ibarra in first round.

▲**Santiago del Estero** — Omar Zarza decisioned Catalino Sosa in 10. They are welters.

▲**Pergamino** — In the middle class Jose M. Flores outpointed Alejandro Garcia in 6 rounds.

▲**Villa Regina** — In the middle division Luis Salvucci outpointed Rudecindo Chavez in 10.

▲**San Juan** — In the bantam class Rolando Lahoz outscored Juan C. Vedia in 12 for the local title.

▲**Gutierrez** — In the light division Domingo Panessi stopped Manuel Arena, TKO 2.

▲**Billinghurst** — Rodolfo Ramos and Hugo Diaz drew in 10. They are lights.

▲**Rosario** — In the welter class Rene Campos beat Francisco Cardozo in 10.

▲**San Lorenzo** — In the junior middle division Jose Pintos outpointed Oscar Ayala in 10.

▲**Tucuman** — In the junior welter division Martin Leiva decisioned Roberto Avallay in 10 rounds.

▲**Cordoba** — Julio Andrada and Carlos Gomez drew (lights); Orlando Lucero kayoed Martin Lahorca in second round (feathers).

▲**Arrecifes** — In the fly class Luis Gerez outscored Reynaldo Romero in 8.

▲**Caleta Olivia** — In the light division Hugo Martinez outpointed Santiago Lopez in 10.

▲**San Clemente de Tuyu** — In the light class Hugo Lucero kayoed Eugenio Zalazar in six.

▲**Mendoza** — In the feather class Benicio Sosa (ex-Argentine bantam champion) stopped by TKO Enrique Aguero in fourth round — Raul Perez beat Hugo Emer in 10 (bantams) and Lildolfo Calderon (Chile) stopped by a TKO Esteban Bustos in fourth round (feathers).

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▲**Posadas** — Light and South America champion in the junior light division Victor Echegaray stopped Juan "Pamperito" Olivera by a TKO in seventh. (Non title bout)

▲**San Carlos de Bariloche** — In the welter class Pascual Zabala stopped Francisco Manrique in second round.

▲**Villa Maria** — In the light class Oscar Alvarenga and Gregorio Villavicencio drew in 10 rounds.

▲**Cordoba** — Undefeated in the junior middle class Raul Porcel de Peralta outpointed Alberto Almiron.

▲**Concordia** — Argentine junior middle champion Esteban Osuna beat Roque Roldan in 12 rounds for the Argentine title.

▲**Salta** — In the bantam class Jose Flores and Gilberto Lopez (Uruguay) drew in 10 and in the welter class Ramon Perez and Raul Sosa drew in 10.

▲**Paso de los Libres** — In the feather division Francisco Acosta and Anibal Estigarribia drew in 10.

▲**Vicuna Mackena** — In the light division Jose Filippi beat Jose L. Villaneuva in 10 rounds.

▲**Corrientes** — Ricardo Gomez decisioned Ramon Benitez in 10. They are feathers.

▲**Villa Dolores** — In the fly class Ramon Soria stopped Felix Ruarte by TKO in 5th round.

▲**Centenario** — In the junior welter division Jose L. Valdez kayoed Juan Ramon Benitez in fourth round.

▲**Salta** — In the middle class good prospect Manual Gonzalez outscored Jacinto Fernandez and in the bantam division Modesto Gomez kayoed Pablo Lencinas in third round.

▲**Mar del Plata** — Argentine welter champion Miguel Angel Campanino beat Mario Guilloti in 10. (Non title)

▲**Salta** — Rogelio Zarza and Luis H. Cabral drew in 10. They are welters. Walter Gomez kayoed Carlos Valle Herrera in second round. (Welters)

▲**Pergamino** — In the middle class Jose M. Flores stopped Celso Sosa by TKO in third round.

▲**Villa Maria** — In the light class Facundo Villalba stopped Angel Olea by a TKO in eighth round.

▲**Charata** — In the welter class Ramon Tevez stopped Francisco Cardozo by a TKO in round six.

▲**Cordoba** — Jose I. Funes stopped Ramon Moreyra by a TKO in six. They are lights.

▲**Resistencia** — In the light heavy class Raul Loyola stopped Ivan Rojas by a TKO in first round.

▲**Corrientes** — David Pavon stopped Andres Vedia by a TKO in third round.

▲**Villa Espana** — Galindo Gonzalez and Luis A. Garay drew in 6. Lights.

▲**Neuquen** — In the light division Luis Moyano outpointed Eduardo Alcaraz in 10 rounds.

▲**San Juan** — In the feather class Arnoldo Rios beat Miguel A. Torres in 10.

▲**Rosario** — In the feather class Ruben Riani beat Ricardo Gomez in 10.

▲**Punta Alta** — Argentine feather champion Oscar "Cachin" Mendez stopped Miguel A. Gutierrez by a TKO in six.

▲**Coronel Conesa** — Miguel A. Gonzalez kayoed Luis Linares in 4th. They are junior lightweights.

▲**Formosa** — In the bantam class Angel "Mini" Zalazar stopped Nestor Jaime by a TKO in five.

▲**Rosario** — Hugo Quiroga decisioned Eduardo Ferreyra in 6. Welters.

▲**Mar del Plata** — Argentine light champion Hugo Gutierrez lost to Miguel Maldonado in 10. Non title bout.

▲**Salta** — In the middle class Norberto Cabrera kayoed Rudecindo Chavez in five.

▲**Resistencia** — Argentine heavy champion Raul Gorosito and Antonio Musladino drew in 10 rounds. Non title bout.

▲**Trelew** — In the feather class Juan D. Malvarez outpointed Ramon Gonzalez in 10 rounds.

▲**Resistencia** — In the heavy division Pablo Castellino outscored Domingo D'Elia in 10.

Cordoba — In the middle class, prospect Hugo Corro beat Hugo Saavedra by disqualification in 10th round. Saavedra biting opponent.

▲**Tostado** — In the junior welter division Ceferino Morales outpointed Mario "Hammer" Miranda in 10.

▲**Bolivar** — Alfredo H. Cabral and Romulo Correa without decision in first round. They are junior middles.

▲**Villa Maria** — In the light class Osvaldo Alvarenga beat Ramon Araujo in 10 rounds.

▲**Resistencia** — Feather Julio Alegre beat Tomas Lima in 10.

▲**Mendoza** — Junior middle Manuel Gonzalez beat Alejandro Garrido, from Chile, by a TKO in the sixth round.

▲**Rafaela** — Rodolfo Calderolli outpointed Sergio Vallejos. Bantams.

▲**San Luis** — Light Abraham Valenzuela whipped Jose I. Funes in 10.

▲**Darragueira** — In the heavy division Alberto Hergerseimer kayoed Manuel Orteaga in first round.

▲**Mendoza** — Argentine fly champion Rodolfo Rodriguez beat Raul Perez in 10 rounds. (Non title bout)

▲**Bahia Blanca** — Argentine junior welter champion Carlos Maria Gimenez outscored Rogelio Zarza in 10. (Non title bout)

▲**Bariloche** — Good prospect in the junior welter division Hector "Yeye" Hernandez beat Hugo Gutierrez, Argentine light champion, by a TKO in 3rd round in a non-title bout.

▲**Resistencia** — In the feather class, Carlos Martinetti beat Hugo Melgarejo, from Uruguay, in 10 rounds.

▲**Cordoba** — In the junior middle class Roque Roldan outpointed Juan "Yani" Garcia in 10.

▲**Choel-Choel** — Nestor Vittadini beat Juan S. Garcia in 10. (Welters)

▲**Pergamino** — In junior middle division Jose M. Flores (from Uruguay) beat Gregorio Navarro by KO in third round.

▲**Mercedes** — In the light heavy class, Celestino Bailone whipped Jorge Toledo in 10 rounds.

▲**Centenario** — In the light division Omar Canale outpointed Luis Valdez in 10.

▲**Buenos Aires** — At the Luna Park ring and in the light class Jorge "Polvorita" Gomez beat Mario Ortiz in 10 rounds.

▲**Tandil** — In the welter class Adalberto Gutierrez beat Juan J. Perez in 10.

▲**Buenos Aires** — At the Luna Park ring in the junior light division, South American champion Victor Echegaray won the Argentine title over Pedro Aguero easily in 12 rounds.

▲**Tres Arroyos** — In the flyweight class, No. 1 in the Argentine fly rating Miguel Lazarte outpointed Carlos Leyes in 10.

▲**Villa Maria** — In the light class, Raul Colombo scored over Oscar Arganaraz in 10.

▲**Rio Cuarto** — Hugo Emer beat Lito Gonzalez in 10. Emer won the local bantam title.

▲**Rio Tercero** — In the light division Miguel A. Castillo won over Lorenzo Noriega by a TKO in eleventh round for the local title.

▲**Corrientes** — Ricardo Gomez beat Reinaldo Romero in 10. They are feathers.

▲**Bariloche** — In the junior welter class, Miguel Toledo and Ramon Peralta, drew in 10 rounds.

▲**Neuquen** — Jorge Durdos kayoed Eduardo Alcaraz in fourth. They are lights.

▲**Buenos Aires** — At Luna Park, Norberto Cabrera kayoed Argentine middle champion Rodolfo Rosales in five. Non title bout.

▲**Rosario** — In the middle division and for the local title Octavio Escauriza, the champ, retained his crown in a draw by a medical decision in sixth round of his match with Alberto Almiron.

▲**Rosario** — Ruben Granados beat Eduardo Echeverria and won the local feather title in 12 rounds.

▲**Salta** — In the feather class Hipolito Nunez scored over Robarto Aballay in 10.

▲**Buenos Aires** — In the middle class Hugo Corro won over Roque Roldan in 10.

▲**Buenos Aires** — At Luna Park, in the light class, Miguel Maldonado and Armando Bustos drew in 10 rounds.

DAVILA CLOSE WINNER OVER DeBARROS

By DON HAMILL

Boston, Mass. — New England boxing, although now with any regularity in any points, brought the continued progress of Luis Davila, Jackie Smith, and Tommy Rose. Each racked up an important win. The results during the month were:

▲Waterbury Armory — Luis Davila, 135, Hartford, successfully defended his New England lightweight title by squeaking out a close split ten round decision over localite Vinnie DeBarros, 135, Waterbury.

DeBarros was the aggressor throughout and tried his best to hang a knockout punch on the champion, Davila, who had knocked out DeBarros earlier. Davila was content to counter and scored with well placed punches but they lacked power.

Dana McCarthy, 163, Bristol, was awarded a TKO over Roger Phillips, 160, Pittsfield, when the latter was unable to come out for the fifth round. The irony was that Phillips had injured his right hand administering a beating to McCarthy.

Gerry Hayes, 134, New York, scored a knockout over Leo DiFiore, 132, Portland, in 56 seconds of the first round.

Randy Milton, 148, Bridgeport, and Jesse Bender, 153, New Haven, both of the Somers Correctional facility, put up a whale of a fight Milton being the sharper and Bender the harder puncher. Milton earned a unanimous six round decision.

Confusion reigned in the six round opener. Referee Maxie Atwater stopped the bout with John Harris, 160, Hartford, handing Hassan Ali, Jr., 158, New York, a battering in the third round. Ali, although losing badly, was still fighting back. The bout was declared "No Contest" because both fighters were cut, although neither cut was sufficient to keep either fighter from continuing. After another conference the bout was called a three round draw.

▲**Boston** — Harvard Club — Jackie Smith, 154, Brockton, a senior at Boston College, outhustled veteran Al Romano, 154, North Adams, to earn a clear cut eight round unanimous decision before some 250 tuxedoed Harvard alumni at their annual show. Smith was faster, boxed better, and had Romano on the defensive during most of the scrap. In the final round, won by Romano, the latter made a last ditch stand but it came too late.

Tony Lopes, 147, Brockton, turned in an impressive six round unanimous decision win over Avalino Dos Reis, 143, Waterbury, in the pleasing semi-final.

Kenny Nelson, 162, Jamaica Plain, eked out a close four round decision over Joe Houston, 160, Lowell. The only bout that failed to go the distance was a four spot between Jimmy Farrell, 135, Rockland, and Roland Sigmon, 135, Lowell, when referee Billy Connelly halted the one sided bout in the third session. Gene Lawrence, 121, Charlestown, handed Bobby Castaneda, 127, Brockton, a boxing lesson in their four spot.

In the opener, Doug Romano, 145, North Adams, spoiled the pro debut of Peter Douvalle, 145, Braintree, by taking a four round split decision.

▲**Portland** & Exposition Building — Tommy Rose, 129, Sherborn, successfully defended his New England junior lightweight title by halting the more experienced Bobby Richard, 130, Portland, in the ninth round of their contest scheduled for ten heats. Richard was staggered early in the ninth before a pair of straight rights finished him for the night.

Tony Lopes, 146, Brockton, spoiled the comeback of Ricky Burgess, 151, Waterville, whom he halted in the fourth round of the eight-round semi-final.

In four rounders: Bobby Castaneda, 134½, Braintree, edged out a split duke over Francisco Maldonado, 130½, Lowell; and Don Bickford, 144½, Oakland, Me., outpointed Peter Douvalle, 145, Braintree. It marked the pro debut of both.

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OLD BROADWAY

(Continued from page 38)

RING RECORD BOOK and say hello to the gang. He was a sensation, and was going strong until he met Ken Buchanan, one-time lightweight king, in the Garden. But Paduano, who loved to eat, finally became junior middleweight champion of Canada and curtailed his career at the age of 26. Al Lang was his American representative. His manager was Roger Larivee.

Donato now lives at St. Leonard, Province of Quebec, with his wife, Linda, and their three sons, 2½ year old Donato, Jr., and their 4-month-old twins, Yannick and Patrick. Paduano, who looks great, is a public relations man for the Pepsi Cola outfit.

Paduano brought news that Louis Chantigni, Montreal's famous newspaper man, who covered Floyd Patterson's fights in New York and elsewhere when he was champion, is now working in the 1976 Olympic games and wants to be remembered by his many friends in the Fourth Estate.

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That was a great testimonial sponsored by the United Jewish Appea, when the guest of honor was popular Michael Katz, associated with Lidz Bros., Inc. and active member in Al Reid's Boxing Ring #8 at the Hotel Statler Hilton. Believe it or not, the sum of $185,000 was raised for the worthy cause and the Georgian Ballroom was full of excitement. All of Mike's family were present at the UJA-Federation Joint Campaign, made up of the Button and Allied Trades Divisions.

Happy to be one of the honored guests, along with Michael, naturally, Lester Hoffman, Bertrum Beck, executive director of the Henry Street Settlement, and Helen Hall, director emeritus of the famous East Side outfit. From VBA Ring #8, present were President Al Reid, Ray Arcel, Ray Kozak, Kid Farlow, Cpl. Izzy Schwartz, ex-President of Ring #8 and former flyweight king, Irving Silverman, Georgie Cohen and Mark Hough.

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Tempis Fugit! A surprise party was tendered to ex-flyweight king, Cpl. Izzy Schwartz, and his lovely wife Sarah, commemorating their 50th wedding anniversary at Mayer's Restaurant, in Pelham, N.Y., where he received a certificate of merit from Robert Abrams, Borough President of the Bronx. Among the invited guests were Mike Katz, Al Reid, Solly Seeman, Phil Rutha and Irving Silverman. Ever see a boxing champion cry? The surprise to the little Corporal left tears streaming down his face.

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Nothing new. It has happened before and will happen again. The report on Mike Connors, once a basketball star at U.C.L.A., who was a pretty good guard in his day but claims he'd be a midget today. He has a fighter, Howard Smith, who claims to have had 23 fights and won 18 by kayos and lost one. The battler is 27 and weighs 208 pounds. We don't know much about the scrapper. His manager says he's fourth ranked, but he'll have to prove his worth when he talks about matching him with ex-champions Joe Frazier or George Foreman.

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Jack Cohen, executive secretary of the World's Boxing Association, notified us of the passing of their past president, Robert 'Bob' Evans, a fine man who was well liked by the boxing fraternity.

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Kid Farlow, from England, who was known as the Golden Boy, and Wonder Boy when he was a mitt-wielder, has been affiliated with Al Reid's Ring #8 for some time. Farlow, who still likes to talk of his days as a pugilist, hailed originally from the East End section of London. Farlow told us he whipped Kid Patterson, who was the ex-bantam king of England in 1931-'32. Farlow says he started fighting fifteen round bouts when he was fifteen years old and was sixteen when he tangled with Patterson. Recalls that the late Eddie Borden, with the RING then mentioned him in '31 or '32 as the best bantamweight in Johnny Bull's domain at the time. Farlow and his family now live in New York.

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At the conference held in New York, when they talked of the coming meeting between ex-champs Joe Frazier and George Foreman, many of the old timers showed up. Huddled in one corner was Tex Sullivan, well known in the days of the St. Nicholas Arena, Roger Donahue, ex-performer, and Dewey Fragetta, representative in booking shows between American and foreign fighters for years. And in the background, quiet as usual, was the great but non-talkative ex-king Joe Louis, famous "Brown Bomber," whose gloves spoke volumes for him.

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C. J. BAR BROWN OUTPOINTS MACK

By SONNY AFFA

Allentown, Pa. — New York heavyweight C. J. Bar Brown gained a split decision over Philadelphian Ron Mack in the eight-round feature before a paying crowd of 840 in the Holiday Inn West ballroom.

It was probably the most successful professional fight card promoted by Sonny Affa and the Lehigh Athletic Club, to date.

Brown had to come off the floor to defeat Mack, who started tiring badly in the fifth round and from that point on was content with counter punching and leaning on the ropes.

Brown had been put down with a left uppercut to the jaw by the southpaw Mack (1-1) in the second round. The win was Brown's eighth against two losses and two draws.

After the fight, Brown's manager Gary Hegyi and Lou Duva, manager of Puerto Rican champion Pedro Agosto, agreed that Brown and Agosto could meet in the future if all of the arrangements could be worked out and with the stipulation that the winner would sign to meet highly-ranked Larry Holmes of Easton, Pa. anywhere at any time.

On the undercard, lightweight (134) Rufus Miller (4-0) of Camden, N. J. won a six-round split decision over Willie Rodriguez (4-1) of Allentown, Pa. Both were floored in the third round, Rodriguez (134) with a good right to the head and Miller from a left to the body. The bout ended with Rodriguez's face a mass of crimson from a bloody nose and cut on its bridge.

In another six-rounder, Reading, Pa. lightweight Luis Vega (11-4-2) won a split decision over Quenton Blackman (147) of Philadelphia. Vega weighed in at 138.

In four-rounders, Ruben Lopez (147) Warminster, Pa., stopped Chuck Simmons (144) of Philadelphia at 2:35 of the third round after having decked the latter with a left-right combination in his own corner; Steve Michalerya (4-0), Allentown, Pa. (147), won a very unpopular split decision over Pee Wee Murphy (145), of Philadelphia; Bobbie Patterson (157) of Paterson, N. J. won a unanimous decision over Bernard Bryant (158) of Philadelphia and Robert 'Hurricane' Hart (148) and Darryl Lampkin (150), both of Philadelphia, fought to a draw.

There wasn't a dull moment all night. Jack Saurina of Bethlehem and former outstanding fighter Dan Bucceroni of Philadelphia served as referees and judges along with Carol Polis.

IT'S BACKUS AT UTICA AND EVERETT AT SCRANTON

By JIM LEO

Utica, N.Y. — Former welterweight champion Billy Backus, 148, made his third start of his professional career in the Utica War Memorial, and he pounded out a unanimous decision over Angel Robinson Garcia, 145, New York.

Boxing for an appreciative crowd of 4000, Backus fought his usual aggressive fight as he tried to catch the elusive Garcia, who made use of the big ring. Billy, out early continued stalking his foe and managed to score with good body shots when he could get him in range.

Garcia showed a good jab, and was content to stick and keep moving. Billy was able to corner his opponent during the closing rounds, scoring with punishing lefts, but the veteran Garcia used his experience to slip away from danger. Both judges and the referee were unanimous with their 8-2 calls for the Canastota southpaw Backus.

In the prelims, Ralph Racine, sharp looking 129 pounder from Niagara Falls, had his second bout within a week, and finished a TKO winner at 1:52 of the fifth round over Jerry Hayes, 126, of Newark, N.J. Racine took a quick count in the first, but came on to batter his opponent prompting the referee to halt it in the fifth. It was scheduled for six rounds. Racine, who never fails to please, is now 9-0.

In an eight round bout between welterweights, Tyrone Phelps, Brooklyn, and Johnny Stef, of New York fought to a draw. The bout started out exciting only to get into many clinches as it progressed.

In another six rounder, John D'Amore, 171, Rome, N. Y. was a disqualification winner at 1:51 of the third over Roger Phillips, 167, Springfield, Mass. Referee Joe Santrapia, called abrupt halt when Phillips, angered by hitting tactics during clinches, threw out a kick D'Amore's way.

The show was Utica's first in more than five years. Bringing the professionals back were Johnny Abdou, of the Main Event Boxing Corp.

▲Scranton, Pa. — Tyrone Everett, 126, Philadelphia, is a scheduled 12 rounder for the North American junior lightweight title, was victorious with a third round TKO win over Cornel Hall, 122, Canadian challenger.

The lightning fast Tyrone dropped Hall three times in the third, bringing the halt at 2:17 of the round.

Everett upped his record to 32-0, with his 18th KO and hopes to land a title bout soon.

Pat Cuillo, 169, Lockport, N.Y. was declared a TKO winner over Luis Rodriguez, 171, Bethlehem, Pa., after five rounds, when a nasty cut halted the affair. The bout was scheduled for eight. Cuillo, given plenty of fight, is 6-0.

Ralph Racine, 127, Niagara Falls, also continuing his unbeaten ways, was a six round winner over Mike Davis, 129, of Philadelphia. Racine, forcing the bout did much of the scoring.

Eddie Garvey, 160, Philadelphia, was a TKO winner at 1:40 of the third of a scheduled four rounder over Roy Dowds, 158, of Ithaca. A bad eye stopped the oncoming Dowd.

Ralph Mifka, 179, South Scranton, stopped Moses Robinson, 174, of Philadelphia, at 2:46 of the third in another four rounder. Robinson had gone down twice in the round when the referee decided he had enough.

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GACIC'S COMEBACK STOPPED BY COLBERT

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In a fast-paced co-feature 10-rounder, Baltimore's Alvin Anderson, 151, returning to the ring after a 16-month layoff, TKO'd Bruce Cantrell, 149½, Spartanburg, South Carolina, in round 10. The stoppage was due to a badly cut left eyelid. Although Anderson had come on strong in the late rounds to turn Cantrell's face into a product resembling raw hamburger, he had been in dire trouble himself in round five, but managed to weather the shaky period.

In the preliminaries: Darlton Swift, 159, Washington, D.C., made a successful pro debut outpointing veteran Sugar Moore, 164½, Baltimore. Biff Cline, 181, Forestville, Maryland, ran his record to 8-0 (all KO's) by stopping Billy Howard, 196, Winston-Salem, North Carolina, at 2:45 of round one. Cline had his man on the canvas three times, a devastating left hook providing the means. And in a final bout, John Wilburn, 176, Glen Burnie, Maryland, stopped Ray Timmons, 176, Winston-Salem in round two. A strong body attack weakened Timmons, and a short right to the chin halted action.

SCANO WINS VACATED EURO WELTER TITLE

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SPAIN

▲**Madrid** — Featherweight, Jose Luis Rodriguez outscored Angel Oliver, six.
▲**Almeria** — Heavyweight, Alfredo Evangelista drew in eight with Jose Antonio Galvez. Light heavyweight, Jose Ignacio Iniguez, beat Claudio Roman, TKO1. Junior welterweight, Jose Lopez Barrilado decisioned Fernando Bermejo, eight.
▲**Cadiz** — Welterweight, Tony Ortiz drew with Mario Molina, eight.
▲**Madrid** — Welterweight, The Perico Fernandez, Dum Dum Pacheco bout was declared "No Contest" in the tenth. Featherweight, Nino Jiminez outscored Isidoro Cabreza, eight. Middleweight, Alfredo Naveiras beat Toni Percz, KO2.
▲**Tarrasa** — Antonio Guinaldo retained his Spanish junior lightweight title, outscoring Jose Antonio Donoso, twelve. Junior welterweight, Francisico Leon decisioned Fernando Bermejo, eight.
▲**Catarrojo** — Welterweight Jose Lopez Barrilado outscored Antonio Benz, six. Lightweight Emilio Garcia decisioned Pedro Sanchez, six.
▲**Huelva** — Quintana Trujillo held on to his Spanish light heavyweight crown beating Jose Galvez, TKO11. Lightweight, Guillermo Perez drew his eight rounder with Antonio Vasquez, eight.
▲**Madrid** — Alfredo Evangelista outscored Neville Meade, UK, eight rounds. Meade took a count of eight in round three from a left hook.

Two ex-European champions met, Tony Ortiz and Jose Gomez Fouz, with Ortiz winning on points.

Nino Jiminez retained his Spanish featherweight title stopping Tino Blanco, ten.

BELGIUM

▲**Molenbeck** — Featherweight, Eric Keirseblick drew with Jean Pierre Meganck, six.
▲**Gits** — Welterweight, Henrik Seys outscored Antonio Baletta, six. Middleweight, Leandre Pantre decisioned Jean Pierre Heirman, six. Welterweight, Kid Bukasa beat Mohamed Arras, TKO2.

Some thought Ugo Poli, Italy, was entitled to half the points against European lightweight champion, Fernand Roelands, Belgium. The bout, won by the Belgian, over ten rounds was a nontitle affair.

DENMARK

▲**Copenhagen** — Victor Galindez, Argentine, outscored Jessie Burnett, USA, in a non title ten rounder.

ALGIERS

▲Loucif Hamani, France, who outscored Emile Griffith, knocked out Pascal Zito in the opening round.

ITALY

▲**Ferrara** — Junior middleweight, Clemente Gessi and Walter Guernieri drew their eight rounder.
▲**Pistola** — Welterweight, Vittorio Conte outpointed Angelo Tomasini, eight.

HOLLAND

▲**Amsterdam** — Dutch welterweight champion, James Vrig, has now made the ratings with his 13th victory in a row beating Frenchman, George Perrot, KO2. Middleweight, Rudi Koopman, Holland, beat Daniel Martin, KO2. Junior middleweight, Adri Huussen, Holland, beat Joseph Gninion, Ivory Coast, the latter being disqualified in round four. Light heavyweight Sylvain Watbled beat Joop Kruis the latter retiring in round four with a cut eye.

GERMANY

▲**Kiel** — Former European middleweight champion, Eckhard Dagge, Germany, knocked out Marcel Giodanella, France, in the seventh. The Frenchman gave the German a rough passage before he accepted his first KO in his professional career.

Dagge was handicapped with a cut above his right eye some three centimetres long which required five stitches. A short right to the Frenchman's head ended the fight.

Middleweight, Franz Csandl, Austria, brought about the sensation of the evening, knocking out American, Gene Wells, in round eight. Light heavyweight French based Argentinian Miguel Angel Cuello, made short work of 29 year-old Italian, Mario Alamzo, knocking him out in round two.

Junior middleweight Jorg Eipel, Germany, outscored his fellow German Alfred Freis, six rounds. Middleweight, German Frank Wissenbach outpointed fellow German Reinhard Dampmann, eight. Middleweight, Rene Zeller, Germany, decisioned Eddie Machen, Holland, four rounds.

WORLD-WIDE FIGHT RESULTS

(Continued from page 50)

BANTAMWEIGHTS

Alfonso Zamora kayoed Eusebio Pedroza, 2, retained World Bantamweight Title.
Wilfredo Gomez halted Rick Quijano, 1.
Sean O'Grady stopped Manuel Tarazon, 3, Domingo Luna, 3.
Jorge Miranda kayoed Jaime Ricardo, 7.
Albert Sandoval halted Catalino Flores, 5.
Maurice Garcia stopped Alfonso Delgadillo, 2.
Mike Stuart kayoed Shuji Kambara, 1.
Paddy Maguire halted Les Pickett, 2.

FLYWEIGHTS

Alfonso Lopez beat Shoji Oguma, 15, W.B.A. flyweight title.
Miguel Canto outpointed Francisco Marquez, 10, Non-title.
Hector Carrasquilla stopped Pablo Reyes, 1.
Shuji Kambara outpointed Alfonso Delgadillo, 6.

FINCH KO'S SONGBIRD WILLIAMS IN 1

By GEORGE RANDAZZO

Milwaukee — Bruce Finch of Milwaukee KO'ed Songbird Williams in the first round. Finch is now undefeated in fifteen pro bouts, and is showing himself to be a tremendous prospect in the welterweight class.

The semi-feature was to publicize women boxers. Barb Napier, of Dayton, Ohio, took on Annie Roberts, of Tyler, Texas. Roberts won a 4 round decision, and the fans loved every minute of the well fought fight! The women's match was covered by three TV stations and numerous radio shows.

A crowd of just over 2,900 witnessed the following matches:
Bruce Finch, KO in 1 over Songbird Williams.
Annie Roberts, 4 round decision over Barb Napier.
Otto Breeding, 4 round decision over Kevin Porter.
Tony Reed, 4 round decision over Steve Crow.
Santos Rodriguez, KO in 1 over Arthur Shelly.

COCHRANE IS STOPPED BY CASSIDY IN 3

By SAM TAUB

Bob Cassidy, the Levittown, N.Y., light heavyweight, made short work of Dennis Cochrane, of Toronto, who was scheduled for a ten spot at Sunnyside Garden, in Long Island City, whom he polished off in three rounds before a turnout of 1,150 paying customers.

The show was marred by several free-for-all skirmishes among the customers, who decided to get into the act.

Cochrane was a TKO loser at 2:33 of the third round when referee Jimmy Devlin stopped it after the third knockdown, which automatically terminated the feature setto.

Cochrane went down from a left to the ear the first time, another for a count of two with a right and the third time another right finished matters.

Cochrane complained later he thought he might have an injured ear drum. Cassidy scaled in at 178½, Cochrane, 171½ pounds.

An outbreak in the audience occurred during the six rounder between Paddy Dolan, of Northport, and Cletus Hayes, of Newark, in which Bobby O'Brien, a policeman when not fighting and a stablemate of Cassidy's, was clouted from behind. Somebody meantime had called for the copy but by the time they arrived matters settled down for the balance of the night. Barry won the duke.

The rioting started during the six round preliminary between Pat Barry, of East Rockaway, and Johnny Sears of Howard Beach, which really started the fans fighting among themselves, many in the audience standing to watch the melee among the customers. It was a night to remember. Barry, scaling 162½, got the duke over Sears, who weighed 159.

BOXING IN COLOMBIA

By LUIS A. GONZALEZ V.

Cartagena — Francisco "Yata" Durango, lightweight of Colombia, had to come off the deck in the second round to outpoint Pepe El Toro, of Nicaragua in well fought ten.

In opening four, Bernardino Rubio, Monteria, took unanimous decision over Rodrigo Martinez, Cartagena. Both are bantams.

Luis Rivera, Monteria and Leofan Camargo, Cartagena, drew in another well-fought sixer in the feather class.

Henry Diaz, prospect of the bantams, decisioned Luis Ramos, 8.

Nestor "Baba" Jimenez retained the national bantamweight title by gaining a unanimous twelve round verdict. The fight was hard fought but Jiminez held the upper hand from the start.

▲**Barranquilla** — Local Emiliano Villa, 147½, rang his 23rd win at "Humberto Perea" Coliseum when he stopped Adalberto Vanegas, 146, in sixth.

Alfonso Perez, 125¼, Colombia's featherweight champion, defended his title with draw of 12 rounds with Armando "Policeman" Perez, 126, both Cartagena City.

Juanito Herrera, 113½, Barranquilla, had no problems in beating Calixto Perez, 111½, Cartagena in ten rounds. Perez was dropped in the 5th and in the 6th.

In the first round, Prudencio Cardona, 110¼, looked like an early TKO winner over Eduardo Barragan, 110. Eduardo was up and down in the fourth. The match finished in the 5th.

MARK BEATS ANTOINE FOR MIDDLE TITLE OF TRINIDAD

By GEORGE C. BECKLES

PORT OF SPAIN, TRINIDAD, WEST INDIES—Boxing promoted by Edwin Peters and sponsored by Kenneth King Fook, both of South Trinidad, drew a packed grandstand. Carlos Mark, 160, using every trick out of the book, made referee George Cumberbatch warn him on many occasion for violations of our rules going 15 rounds for the middleweight title of Trinidad and Tobago against Ashton Antoine, 159, of South Trinidad. Mark won on a split decision.

The Clyde Neptune, 159, (orthodox) and Nathaniel Jones (south paw), 160, scrap turned into a fiasco with referee Frank Hastic declaring the bout a "no contest" after one minute 56 seconds of the 5th round.

Winston Granger, 152, from the South beat Dave Phillip, 155, in 6 rounds.

Michael Baptiste, 145, and Selwyn Figaro, 144, fought to a draw going 6 rounds.

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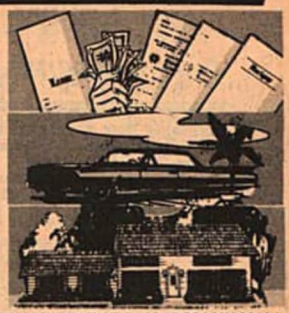

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MUNDINE SCORES IN 1ST OVER ZURHEIDE

By RAY MITCHELL

Sidney, Australia — What a month it has been in Australian boxing! Biggest news, of course, was the death of young American Chuck Wilburn.

Some three weeks prior to the Wilburn fight, Hector Thompson, scaling his heaviest ever at 146, had a comfortable points win over Alfonso Hayman, 146½, at Brisbane Festival Hall.

It was Hec's first bout since being stopped by a cut eye by Antonio Cervantes in a title tilt.

Two title tilts took place at Wellington, New Zealand. Commonwealth middles champ Monty Betham, 158½, had an easy round points win over Australian based Fijian Al Korovou, 159.

Betham won every round, with the official score of the three judges being 300-270, 300-267, 300-283.

On the same bill Ali Afakasi, N.Z. holder of the Australasian welter title, defended against Ross Fadie of Australia (leading contender for Thompson's junior-welter crown), and it developed into a rough-house. Referee George Philp ruled no-contest in round seven.

Only a few hundred fans paid to see the program held at the Hordern Pavilion, Sydney, but you can't blame the fans for that. The promoters imported Karl Zurheide, 175¾, with his trainer, from America, to pair with Tony Mundine, 173¾.

Tony is a formidable fighter, much more so now he is a light-heavy than he was as a middle, and nobody but the very top three or four in the world will draw against him.

Tony hits hard. Nobody expected the fight to last more than two rounds, so who would pay to see such a short bout? Result: Mundine won by KO in the first round — in 1:25 of the first.

In another ten — billed as the main-event — Blakeney Matthews, 129¾, African-born who soon will become an Australian citizen, narrowly outpointed Ray Lunny, 132¼, and the contest did not come up to expectations. Decision was disputed as all close ones are. Gus Mercurio refereed these two tens.

In a ten-round support, over two-minute rounds, Tommy Mears, 185, knocked out Marc Ecimovic, 202½, in an exciting battle. These two were born overseas but make their homes in Australia. Over eight rounds, Jimmy Brown, 130, halted Keith Bail, 127, in the 4th.

One week later Tony Mundine, 172, knocked out Baby Boy Rolle, 172, of the Bahamas, in the third round of a Commonwealth light-heavy title defense by Mundine. Tony must have been confident about taking Zurheide one week before defending his title! When Tony opened up in the third it was all over for Rolle.

▲Blacktown R.S.L. Club — Paul Ferreri, 118, retained his Commonwealth bantam crown against Australian champion Brian Roberts, 117½, over 15. And this raised a point: Ferreri, being an Australian, naturally took Brian's Australian title with the win. However, Paul said later that he did not want the Australian title which he previously had relinquished, as he intended going overseas again, this time in search of a world title. Referee Alf Weymark had only one point difference at the end of the bout.

▲Illawarra Leagues Club, Wollongong — The best fight yet seen this year in Australia took place in which Billy Mulholland, 128, won the vacant N.S.W. State junior-light title by halting Lance McConnell, 128, in the seventh round. This was Billy's third State title, having entered the ring with the feather and lightweight crowns. So he dropped a division to annex the junior-light (shades of Henry Armstrong). Mulholland won the best fight of 1973, the two best fights of 1974 and took part in a few of the top fights of 1975. Although not a heavy hitter, Billy is a very exciting boxer. He can be brilliant, and usually is. Not much in it as far as points were concerned (to the end of the 5th), with McConnell doing well early but when Billy introduced a right uppercut in the fourth and continued to use it, that was the beginning of the end. In the 7th Mulholland decked McConnell. Seconds later Lance got into more trouble and referee Les Wilson halted the fight at exactly the right moment to crown Billy.

In the chief eight-round support welter prospect Mark Barnett, 144, knocked out Amos Roberts, 142, in the second round.

Billy Mulholland, two weeks earlier outpointed Maurice Apeang at Pirae, Tahiti, for the second time. Billy scaled 134½ to Apeang's 134.

▲Tony Ryder has lost his Australian featherweight title after three successful defenses. His conqueror was Merv Wockner, who twice had beaten him in non-title bouts. Their title tilt took place at Tweed Heads, and Wockner was in charge all the way. Tony did not come out for the ninth round.

Three weeks earlier Ryder, scaling heavy at 131, scored an easy but careful points win over belter Lindsay Roberts, 133¼, at Tweed Heads. Careful because Roberts knocked Ryder clean out of the ring in the first round, and Tony took no chances thereafter. However, the champ had a big margin of points in his favor at the end.

▲In an eight-round support on the Ryder-Roberts bill, Kerry Bell, 140, easily outpointed Speedy Duke, 144½. Bell went to New Guinea where at Goroka, five days after copping the duke over Duke, he halted local idol Martin Beni in the fourth round because of an eye injury suffered by Beni. Reports are that Beni was ahead in the fight.

Bell goes in with dangerous Steve Dennis at Brisbane Festival Hall soon for the vacant Australian welterweight title. Rocky Mettioli, who held the title, has been in Italy for several months, has grown into a junior-middle and is chasing the world champion in the 154-pound class. Dennis may punch too hard for Bell.

At Punchbowl R.S.L. Club, April 9, Phil Khan, 154, did a repeat on Benny Holt, 158, this time in the fourth round. These two met a month ago and Khan halted Benny in the 9th round of a great fight. At the end Holt had a bare edge on points. This time Benny boxed for the first two rounds and established a points lead, then began to fight — and there were some rough spots that kept me busy as ref. In the fourth a right hand decked Holt. He rose at five but was not focussing, so I counted all the way to ten. He recovered quickly after he returned to his corner. Good fight while it lasted and it brought Khan's KO record to eight in a row. Khan would give Australian champion Shane Patrick a busy night.

▲Three eights headlined at North Sydney Leagues Club, Cammeray. Last one — virtually the main — was won on points (77-74 on my card as ref) by southpaw Jeff Malcolm, 134½, over Jimmy Greco, 139¾. When they entered the ring Malcolm had had exactly twice as many fights as Greco had had — 48, compared with 24 — but Jimmy performed creditably. Malcolm is a difficult boy to beat.

The first eight was won comfortably on points by Phil "Spider" Daviss, 133½, over Cal Hinkling, 131½. Davies is called Spider because you'd swear blind he has more than two hands. He hits from all angles — impossible angles — and is all over the ring. But no one has beaten him yet.

The second eight was a war between hard-hitting Mark Barnett, 144, and smart-boxing Neil Pattel, 143. Pattel outboxed Barnett early. He looked like a polished veteran instead of just a coming prospect. However, Barnett increased his speed of foot in the 5th and brought the points level at the end of the fight. Last three rounds were hectic. Crowd rewarded the boxers with a large shower of coins.

At Blacktown R.S.L. Club, N.S.W. State light-heavy champion Al Gattling, 177¾, narrowly outpointed New Zealand's Joe Jackson, 170½, over ten. Quite a good fight.

PHILLY'S KID CHOCOLATE MAKES IT 13 STRAIGHT

By NIGEL COLLINS

Philadelphia, Pa. — Philly bantam Baby Kid Chocolate ran his winning streak to 13 with a unanimous 10-round decision over James Martinez of Dallas. It was a bout marred by low blows on the part of Chocolate and repeated clinching by both men.

Chocolate, 121½, established his authority early when he outpunched Martinez, also 121½, in a heated exchange. After that the Texan's sole interest was survival.

Local fans were disappointed in Martinez, whose 20-3 record promised more than he delivered.

The slam-bang prelims made up for the mauling main event.

Trenton's slick William "Red" Berry, 125, upset Lynwood "Honeyboy" Snowden, 126, Philadelphia, with a sixth-round TKO.

It was give-and-take until Snowden walked into a right hand near the end of the fifth round. "Honeyboy" took a mandatory eight count and managed to last the round. Berry climbed all over Snowden the next frame and the ref wisely called a halt.

Robert Drewery, 150½, avenged a previous loss with a six-round nod over fellow Philadelphian Robert Adams, 148½. This was an interesting battle of left hands with Drewery the more consistent of the two.

In a trio of four-rounders featuring Philadelphia boxers, unbeaten James Rothwell, 139½, decisioned William Murphy, 145½; James Macey, 164, edged Jackie Thornton, 168; and Robert Hart, 153, outpointed Fred Daniels, 162½.

771 fans were on hand for J. Russell Peltz' small-ahll promotion.

▲ARENA — New Englander Pablo Rodriguez upset local favorite Mario Saurennann over ten drab rounds. The Walker Brothers promotion drew a scant 700 fans, many of whom left before the completion of the main event.

Saurennan looked weak and listless, showing none of his normal boxing skills. Rodriguez used his strength to bully the Philadelphian.

It was an even match for the first five rounds, but Rodriguez's persistent work carried the last half of the fight and earned him the decision.

Saurennann, who has campaigned honorably throughout the world, spoke vaguely of retirement following the fight. To this observer it seemed like a good idea.

In the best fight of the night, North Philly's Steve "Flasher Ishibashi" Smith, 162, outpunched battle-scarred veteran Willie Warren, 160, over ten tough rounds to win the unanimous decision.

The short Texan never stopped moving in, but had trouble getting past Smith's sharp jab. Warren did manage to shake Smith a few times with solid hooks, but Steve always blasted back to regain control.

In a female fracas, Yvonne Barkley bounced enough right hands off Marian Trimiar's bald head to take a five-round decision.

Prelim results: Ernest Vann, 136, body-punched his way to a six-round decision over Danny Daniels, 130, Newark, N.J., and Jimmy Rothwell, 142, took a six-round points win from back-pedalling Morris "Shine" Grant, 145, S. Philadelphia. Both winners from North Philadelphia.

▲Philadelphia, Pa. — Rising middleweight star Willie "The Worm" Monroe scored his most impressive victory to date with a unanimous 10-round decision over "Marvelous" Marvin Hagler at the Spectrum.

Monroe, 160, abandoned his old jab-and-run routine. Instead, the fans were treated to a new aggressive Monroe who was willing to stand and trade with a talented, hard-hitting opponent.

The Philadelphian took the fight to Hagler, 161, from the opening bell. His strong left jab started a steady flow of blood from Hagler's nose in the second round that grew worse as the fight progressed.

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WELLS STOPS RUCKARD IN 10

By BRUCE TRAMPLER

Orlando — Irish Gene Wells, THE RING's No. 4 world junior middleweight contender, had an off night but still managed to pick up another win.

Wells, 158, Orlando, rallied to stop tough young Sammy Ruckard, 150, Spartanburg, S.C., at 2:49 of the 10th and final round. The local hero was coming off a two-week-old points loss in Madison Square Garden to light heavyweight Mike Rossman, and looked a little stale.

There were no knockdowns. It was a slow starting match that ended with some of the most exciting action seen at promoter Pete Ashlock's Orlando Sports Stadium in months. Wells was behind after seven rounds, evened it up after eight, and then cut loose with blazing hands and sizzling punches to have Ruckard in serious trouble in the ninth. The last round belonged to Wells, who is half Irish and half Creek Indian. Referee Jack Blake stopped it with 11 seconds left in the fight.

Ruckard will be welcomed back to Orlando anytime, possibly against Southern junior middleweight champion Edgar (Mad Dog) Ross. The win improved Gene's record to 45-7-4, with 19 knockouts. It was his fifth start of the new year, with two bouts each in Orlando and Albuquerque, and the New York fight with Rossman. Wells boxed 14 ten-rounders in 1975.

In the scheduled 10-round co-feature, Orlando's Mr. Excitement, Joey Vincent, scored a devastating knockout over double tough Hoosier import Jimmy Claar, 158, New Castle, Indiana, in the fifth round.

Vincent, 151, a slight, awkward boxer with a surprisingly lethal kick in his right hand, was outboxing the rugged Claar until he unloaded that single starboard bomb, and Jimmy went down and out for several minutes. The fans either love Vincent or they hate him, mostly the latter, but Joey always does something spectacular to keep them from screaming and standing throughout his fights.

Frankie Santore, 134, Melbourne, a real good looking lightweight prospect, won his seventh straight with a third-round KO over Nat Whyms, 130, Miami. Santore had halted Whyms the previous week in Miami, and now has a 7-1-1 record, with 5 KOs. Nat Whyms is a brother of Gypsy Mike Whyms, who has also fought in Orlando.

Ed (Savage) Turner, 177, Orlando, took a close six-round decision over Ernie Barr, 175, Miami, a brother of middleweight Sammy Barr. The two Miami boxers were handled by Pat Currey.

▲Tuscaloosa, Alabama — You can go home again, as proved by the triumphant return of Southern junior middleweight champion Edgar (Mad Dog) Ross.

A former local street fighter and barroom bully, Ross put in some time at Albert Brewer Junior College and then a stint in the U.S. Navy before straightening out his life and becoming a pro fighter. The Mad Dog got a hero's welcome when he made his hometown debut in a title defense against Juan Hernandez, 154, San Antonio.

Ross, 152, Orlando, scored five knockdowns en route to a fifth-round TKO win. Hector Rocha, who handled Hernandez, would not let his battered charge answer the bell for the sixth round, and trainer Jimmy Williams grabbed Ross off his stool and lifted him high in the air.

Mad Dog's record climbed to 30-1-1, with 22 knockouts.

In the 10-round semifinal, Jodie Ballard, 199, Houston, took a unanimous decision in a hard-fought battle from muscular Charles Atlas, 196, Bastrop, La. The two big men took turns teeing off on each other, but Jodie's faster hands and better boxing ability gave him a comfortable edge. Ballard now 23-5, 15 KOs.

Aundra Love, 143, Houston, scored a second-round knockdown en route to a six-round decision over veteran Mariachi (Gorilla Man) Ramirez, 140, San Antonio. Love, who is only 18, is now 4-1 and pronounces his first name "Andre."

Ed (Savage) Turner, 179, Orlando, stopped reluctant Anthony Teran, 185, Houston, in two rounds. Emmett Atlas, 150, Bastrop, stopped Donnie Melancon, 156, Houston, in five. Fully half the card was provided by Orlando promoter Pete Ashlock, whose matchmaker, Bruce Trampler, made up the exciting show.

▲Central Florida Notes: No action through March in Tampa, which ran six times last year, but hopefully other little towns like Cocoa or Lakeland or Sarasota will reopen. Jacksonville has been dead for several years, and as is the case across America, promoters with knowledge and backing are needed. . .Orlando continues to operate without any newspaper publicity, the only local daily paper refusing to print any news of events at the Sports Stadium since December of last year. . .Tampa's Tony Licata again put forth a supremely game effort, but was outgunned in Paris by powerful Jean Mateo. . .The Orlando stable of Pete Ashlock, busiest in the world last year, is again easily the most active anywhere this year.

Orlando — Junior middleweight contender Irish Gene Wells, 156, battled tooth and nail for 10 exciting rounds at the Sports Stadium, taking a clear but hard-fought unanimous decision from game Canadian battler Gary Broughton, 159½, Brantford, Ontario.

Wells, posting his second straight win since a narrow points loss in Madison Square Garden against light heavyweight Mike Rossman, was boxing for the sixth time in 1976. In the past 21 months, Wells has boxed 28 times, with a 23-4-1 record. Overall, he is 46-7-4, 19 KOs.

CANTO TAKES TOUGH 10 IN NON-TITLE BOUT AGAINST MARQUEZ

By EDUARDO AMER

MEXICO CITY: Ruben Garcia, 125, technically kayoed Roberto "Indio" Toxtle, 125, in 3. Jorge Villarino, 117, beat Leon Meza, 118, in 10. Jose Mendez, 116, tko'd Felix Reyes, 117, in two.

▲**GUADALAJARA, JALISCO:** Alfonso Ibarra, 125, tko'd Goyo Vargas, in 8.

▲**MONTERREY, NUEVO LEON:** Enrique Muniz, 117, iced Esteban "Gallito" Gonzalez, 117, in one. David Escobedo, 118, stopped "Tanque" Lozada, 117, in five.

▲**MEXICO CITY:** Raul Arroyo, 133, tko'd Pedro Jimenez, 134, in tenth and last round. Amado "Panterita" Ursua, 111, tko'd Rodolfo "Chamaco" Lopez, 113, in 7. David Munoz, 124, tko'd Arturo Sanchez, 124, in 6. Miguel Angel Juarez, 125, tko'd Pablo Ramirez, 125, in 5. Ricardo Varela, 112, bested Nuno Temiz, 112, in four.

▲**DURANGO:** Jose Luis "Maestrito" Lopez, 135, won by a technical decision from Jose Parga, 134, in 4, to become lightweight champion of Durango State. Andres Reyes, 112, tko'd Changel Morales, 112, in 10 and he is the new flyweight king of Durango State.

▲**MONTERREY, NUEVO LEON:** Ruben Rivera, 186, tko'd Azael Gutierrez, 190, in 7. Carlos Martinez, 135, tko'd Antonio Llamas, 134, in four.

▲**GUADALAJARA, JALISCO:** Francisco Javier Nunez, 118, bombed Pablo "Babe" Rodriguez, 117, in the opening round. Raul Ochoa, 112, TKO'd Carlos Saucedo, 111, in one.

▲**MEXICO CITY:** In a non-title fight Miguel Canto, 112, world flyweight champion, had to work very had to get the 10-round duke over newcomer Francisco "Trompo" Marquez, 112. Ernesto Caballero, 146, and Carlos Obregon, 147, of Colombia, drew in 10. Juan Alvarez, 112, polished off Mariano Garma, 112, in five. Juan Garcia, 124, whipped Fidencio Gonzalez, 124, in 6. Jesus Sanchez, 116, tko'd Evaristo Martinez, 116, in 4.

▲**MEXICALI, BAJA CALIFORNIA:** Alfonso Zamora, 117, retained WBA bantamweight title by demolishing Eusebio Pedroza, 117, of Panama, in the second round. Jose Pipino Cuevas, 145, destroyed Rafael Piamonte, 144, of Colombia, in the very first round. Alfredo Pitalua, 124, of Colombia, tko'd Rosalio Muro, 125, in four.

▲**APATZINGAN, MICHOACAN:** Manuel Elizondo, 159, stopped Herminio "Loba" Ramirez, 158, in 7 to keep Mexican middleweight crown. Jose Bautista, 121, ko'd Candido Sandoval, 121, in two. Abraham Soto, 112, flattened Roberto Castro, 111, in 6. Ramon Rico, 115, tko'd Mauro Noyola, 117, in 7.

▲**DZIDZANTUN, YUCATAN:** Jose "Dinamita" Hernandez, 127, defeated George Sauzo, 128, of Belize, in six.

▲**OAXACA:** Camilo "Guerrero" Ibarra, 125, halted "Oaxaco" Garcia, 126, in three. Teo Palacios, 119, tko'd Chano Garcia, 117, in 8.

▲**CULICAN, SINALOA:** Juan Antonio Lopez, 122, surprised the gang when he easily outpointed Rome Anaya, 123, in ten. Max Sanchez, and "Bobo" Gonzalez, 117, drew in ten.

▲**TIJUANA, BAJA CALIFORNIA:** Jimmy Heair, 135, of USA, tko'd Jesus "Mortero" Alonso, 135, in five. Alonso announced his retirement after the loss. Victor Cortes, 113, won from "Papero" Rodriguez, 112, in 10. Ernesto Garfias, 135, tko'd Crisanto Valenzuela, 138, in 8. Salvador Avendano, 108, kayoed Pancho Zavala, 108, in 2. Mariano Chavez, 117, tko'd Celestino Molina, 118, in seven.

▲**MEXICO CITY:** Luis Torres, 112, tko'd Mario Gatica, 112, in 8. Raul Molina, 135, nailed Eleazar Delgado, 135, in 5. Claro Guzman, 146, tko'd Nestor Adam, 145, in 7. Victor "Vaquerito" Diaz, tko'd Jacinto Gutierrez, 116, in five. Jaime Isias, 125, tko'd Don Bernardino, 125, in two.

▲**CIUDAD MANTE, TAMAULIPAS:** Juan Elizondo, 125, decisioned Clemente Mucino, 126, in 10. Esteban "Chato" Guzman, 112, embalmed "Chocolate" Reyna, 112, in three.

▲**GUADALAJARA, JALISCO:** Salvador Martinez Carrillo (Guero Papero), 119, beat Magalio Lozada, 118, in ten. Lalo Cuadros, 118, lost to Francisco Javier Nunez, 118, in 10.

▲**PACHUCA, HIDALGO:** "Casanovita" Mendez, 124, outscored Alejandro Ronderos, 125, in ten. Gabriel Paramo, 124, tko'd Fidel Mendoza, 125, in five.

▲**MONTERREY, NUEVO LEON:** Ernesto Herrera, 125, tko'd Carlos Mimila, 125, in eight. David Escobedo, 118, tko'd "Changa" Gallegos, 118, in two.

▲**CHETUMAL, QUINTANA ROO:** Alfredo Pitalua, 125, of Colombia, put Eloy "Zorrita" Yepez, 125, in one. Pantera del Carmen, 135, tko'd Sanchez Camara, 136, in 3.

▲**MEXICO CITY:** Juan Pablo Oropeza, 133, bested Leoncio Ortiz, 136, in ten. Gonzalo Gonzalez, 112, gained Pancho Granada, 111, in 10. Nacho Rivera, 124, decisioned Rodolfo Castillo, 125, in 8. Alejandro Lopez, 118, tko'd Emilio Martinez, 118, in one. Juan Vargas, 117, and Goyo Moran, 117, drew in 4.

▲**TIJUANA, BAJA CALIFORNIA:** Javier Ayala, 135, whipped Angel Mayoral, 135, in 10. Rafael "Pollo" Lopez, 125, tko'd Jorge Torres, 125, (not "Alacrancito" Torres), in 8.

▲**MINATITLAN, VERACRUZ:** Ricardo Arredondo, 140, ko'd Bounerges "Cuervo" Jonapak Pascasio, 131, in 2.

▲**NUEVO LAREDO, TAMAULIPAS:** Saul Montana, 124, flattened Silverio Chavez, 122, in four.

▲**MERIDA, YUCATAN:** Alonso "Lonny" Pacheco, 120, tko'd Juan Jose Briceno, 119, in two. Matias Marin, 109, halted Javier Garcia Chacon, 109, in 10. Panchito Sarabia, 112, and Jose Cabrera, 112, drew in 6. Eduardo "Lalo" Medina, 115, tko'd Jose Paz, 113, in 3. Armando "Principe" Mandujano, 129, outpointed Enrique Manzanilla, 132, in four.

▲**TIJUANA, BAJA CALIFORNIA:** Antonio "Moro" Rodriguez, 125, and Julio Leal, 125, technically drew in 6. Manuel Abedoy, 117, won by a disqualification from "Toluquito" Olivares, 116, in 6.

▲**MEXICO CITY:** Antonio Nava, 126, won over Gerardo Flores, 124, in 10. German Torres, 112, tko'd Chuy Pascasio, 111, in six. Bernardo "Batallador" Ibarra, 117, technically stopped Rodolfo Perez, 117, in 5. Kid Azteca, 108, tko'd Guillermo Martinez, 107, in 5. Silvestre Victores, 116, tko'd Paulino Monroy, 117, in one.

▲**MONTERREY, NUEVO LEON:** Carlos Zarate, 118, tko'd Cesar Deciga, 118, in four. Lupe Pintor, 113, tko'd Jose Luis Cruz, 112, in nine. Carlos Mendoza, 120, of Panama, tko'd Jose Cruz, 122, in 1. Rocky Mijares, 112, tko'd Miguel Gonzalez, 112, in 10th.

▲**GUADALAJARA, JALISCO:** Fernando Martinez, 122, defeated Aelajandro Agosto, 122, in 10. Jaime Nava, 124, tko'd Francisco Acosta, 124, in five.

▲**MONTERREY, NUEVO LEON:** Lorenzo Alarcon, 146, stopped Jorge del Toro, 145, in 7.

▲**NUEVO LAREDO, TAMAULIPAS:** "Bufalo" Olvera, 183, knocked out Memo Vargas, 194, in six. Alberto Cruz, 116, bested Esteban "Chato" Guzman, 117, in 19.

▲**MEXICO CITY:** Sixto Castillo, 125, ko'd Memin Becerra, 123, in 8. Samuel Machorro, 117, stopped Antonio Kiris, 118, in 9.

▲**TIJUANA, BAJA CALIFORNIA:** Arturo Leon, 135, won by a disqualification from Javier Ayala, 134, in 10. Manuel Leal, 134, tko'd Geronimo Cardenas, 135, in four.

▲**MEXICO CITY:** Angel Hernandez, 129, tko'd Carlos Saldivar, 125, in nine. Salvador Sanchez, 117, tko'd Serafin Pacheco, 117, in 4. Eleazar Sanchez, 111, tko'd Gaspar Meza, 110, in 5. Jesus Torres, 134, tko'd Bruno Herrera, 133, in 1. Melchor Mendoza, 133, tko'd Agustin Bazan, 132, in one.

▲**TIJUANA, BAJA CALIFORNIA:** Jose Luis Soberanes, 134, tko'd Jimmy Heair, 134, of USA, in seven. Jose Angel Cazares, 112, nailed "Papero" Rodriguez, 112, in four.

▲**MEXICO CITY:** Fernando Gomez, 119, kayoed Miguel "Rancherito" Fernandez, 116, in seven. Jorge Villarino, 122, won by a disqualification over Gustavo Salgado, 123, in 8. Manuel "Negro" Martinez, 134, ko'd Mario Alvarado, 134, in 5. Jorge Martinez, 116, tko'd Felix Reyes, 117, in two.

▲**HALACHO, YUCATAN:** Jose Luis "Chamaco" Cetina, 112, decisioned Romulo Cortes, 114, in 6.

▲**MEXICO CITY:** Arturo "Kaliman" Merino, 125, defeated Tomas Frias, 126, in ten. Javier Solis, 117, and Jose Gonzalez, 118, drew in 10. Ubaldo Torres, 126, beat Tino Nunez, 122, in 8. Jose Sosa, 111, outpointed Gerardo Neri, 112, in six.

VEGAS STRIKE ENDED, BONDS DEFEATS GOMEZ

By SHIRLEY NORMAN

LAS VEGAS, NEV. — After a two-week layoff due to the Union strike. . .The Strip Fights of the Week resumed with a blockbuster card.

The main event saw welterweight Larry Bonds, 143, Denver, win a unanimous decision over Julio Gomez, 142½ Chile.

The decision cost Gomez his previously undefeated record of 17-1.

Bonds. . .who is as adept with his words as he is with his fists, explained his victory this way: "I just kept him off balance, because I knew he could hit. I knew I had to soften him up a little with my right hooks. . .because he's stronger than me. He wasn't the best opponent I've fought—but he was one of the toughest."

Bonds is trained by the venerable Bobby Lewis—who brought two more of his fighters to the exciting night.

And Bobby's boys came away with two victories out of three.

Billy Parks, a 6'1", 137 lb. dynamite lightweight, KO'd Simon Fortanelle, 139, Arizona, at 2:01 of the third round.

The only loss for the Lewis stable was Roy Taylor, 126½, who lost a six-round decision to Frank Ahumada, 126, Las Vegas.

The first preliminary saw some dirty fighting on the part of "Wild Bill" Borche, 157, who KO'd Robert Hall, 165, at 2:55 of the first round. Both fighters are from Mesa, Arizona.

Borche fought by butting Hall with his head throughout the round—and then continued to belt the man after he had dropped to his knees.

There is still speculation as to why referee Joey Curtis did not disqualify Borche, and why the Nevada Athletic Commission did no more than mention barring "Wild Bill" from fighting again in the State.

Borche got his come-uppance, however, the following week when he was soundly trounced by Roy Jones, 160, Las Vegas. At 2:07 of the first round, Jones landed a swift right that knocked Borche out cold.

The main event featured Strip regular Marvin Camel, 175, of Missoula Montana. . .against Rafael Guitierrez, 170, Baja, California.

Camel retained his undefeated record with a 10-round decision over Guiterrez.

This fight was far from the easy victories Camel is used to. The southpaw slugger admitted that the bout was the toughest of his two-year career.

"I just couldn't get anything going," said Camel. "I wasn't in the greatest shape because I can't find any sparring partners."

Camel's tactics were a bit unorthodox—and he was warned four times during the bout by referee Mike Kaplan—once for a rabbit punch—and three times for holding the back of his opponent's head.

Guitierrez worked with right hooks—trying, unsuccessfully, to open the cut above Camel's eye—sustained in the second round.

Guitierrez was hampered, however, by Camel's 6'2" height—and his reach advantage.

A double leg tackle by Camel in the fifth round saw both fighters hit the canvas—the only time for either during the bout.

Camel's most effective punches came in the eighth and ninth rounds when he consistently landed left hooks to Guitierrez' body—these latter rounds proved the deciding factor in Camel's victory.

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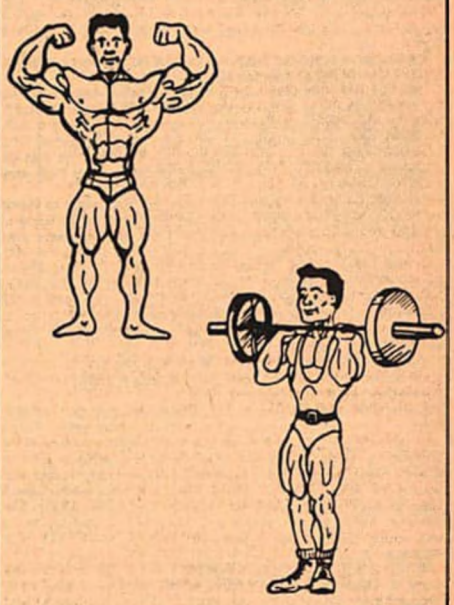

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CHEROKEE CHARLIE SMALL FELT AGUIRRE'S PUNCH

By HARLAN HAAS

GALVESTON, TEXAS — You've no doubt heard of the roof falling in. Well, the roof didn't fall in on Cherokee Charlie Small, but he must've thought so in his fight with Alfonso (Coneja) Aguirre, originally from Torreon, Mexico. Lately he has been hanging his sombrero around old San Antone.

Ten years ago Aguirre was a hard puncher—he had a punch with a crunch—and they say the last thing to leave a fighter is his punch.

Cherokee Charlie will testify to that as he was decked twice when referee Steve Freeman halted the massacre.

Ten years ago Aguirre was a lightweight. He was busted up by Johnny Baldwin as a middleweight, and beaten by light-heavy Melvin Mott. Somewhere along the line he held a session near the fountain of youth. Anyway, he nailed Small time and again with looping sucker punches—and to think that six months ago Cherokee Charlie would probably have had easy pickin's with Coneja.

Now, I ask myself, "Double H, what has happened to friend Charlie?" Could it be that he has had too many tough fights in a row. He dropped a scorcher to Roy Dale in Cincy, won over Frankie Davis in Mobile but was saved by the bell in the 10th and final round, lost a you hit me and I'll hit you fight to Melvin Dennis in New Orleans, copped two bruisers in Galveston from Willie Warren and Jose Martin Flores, got rocked but good while being stopped by Melvin Dennis in a return go at Galveston, laid off awhile, and now the setback at the hands of "El Gordo" Aguirre.

Perhaps it would have been better if a few soft touches or shall we say turkeys had been sandwiched in between. Charlie weighed in at 157, Aguirre 158½.

Gilbert (Machete) Galvan, 135, Galveston, stopped Valente Ramos, 134, San Antonio, in the 10th and final setto. It was an interesting scrap, and Galvan's third straight victory since dropping a decision to highly regarded Zip Castillo of Corpus Christi. Raul Aguirre, 155, San Antonio, was too rugged and strong for Augie Gomez, 154½, Houston, and walked away with an eight round duke. Harrison (Buddy) Kiger, 123½, San Antonio, made an auspicious pro debut by hammering out a four round curtain raising win over Robert Perez, 129, San Antonio.

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Marquart later boxed Chuck Wepner as a pro. Zurheide has had over 80 pro fights against the best in the world, Tessman boxed Bob Foster for the title, Zyglewicz fought Joe Frazier for the title, Goss boxed Joe Frazier among others, Lanum went up against Willi Besmanoff, O'Brien was a local crowd pleaser, Phillips became the Texas Golden Glove heavyweight champion. So, if you are interested in learning to box you will find Hugh Benbow the oilman-sportsman a super trainer. Benbow's Gym is perhaps the finest in the country. It has two new rings, eight heavy bags, eight speed bag racks, all the most modern conveniences.

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Quote from Pink Panther Raymond Boyd otherwise known as Sweet Raymond, "I'm back. Tell all the people. The Panther is back. I got off the track for a while. Hell, I've scared more fighters than most—when I yell, scream, and kick they all tend to freeze. I've got more charisma in my little finger than all these other dudes put together. Pick up on what Im tellin' ya. The man in pink is back."

Probably the best little fighter in Texas is Kenny Weldon, the veteran featherweight. He has lost only a fist full of fights (five) against some of the top people. . .Bad Bill Clear, the Jacinto City toughie, is still unbeaten as a young heavy—reminds me of another young heavy I saw in New York a year ago named Bill Sharkey who impressed me as a hard hitter and crowd pleaser.

If he sets his mind to it there isn't a better crowd pleaser than Jerry Kornele who is known as The Fighting Leprochaun. . .Porfirio (Blackie) Zamora the former high ranking light-weight from Corpus Christi is back in action.

Johnny Boudreaux easily decisioned Brian Omelia at Sunnyside Gardens in 10, then, captured a 10 from Joe Gholston at Landover, Md. despite going into the fight with a badly bruised right hand. Boudreaux remains undefeated under the expert guidance of Robert Bish. . .The writer will be associated with Hugh Benbow in the promotion of big time boxing here in Houston along with Benny King one of the most knowledgeable boxing people in the State—he has an uncanny knack at recognizing fighters who will become box office attractions. It was Benny who started out Roy Harris, Tod Herring, Jim Crowder, Matt Plachy and many others. He broke into pro boxing under the wing of Benbow, and has been a promoter, manager, trainer, matchmaker, publicist, superb referee—you name it.

Benbow said, "I want two loyal people that I can trust and two people who know the boxing game from all angles. I selected Harlan Haas and Benny King." Another expected to be close to the Benbow group is veteran boxing man Bill Davee who has retired from his newspaper job and living on a farm in Brady, Texas. Davee wrote for RING MAGAZINE way back in the 1930's and started out Lew Jenkins the former lightweight champ—he was associated with Jenkins before the Sweetwater slugger went to New York. Davee is sure to come in on occasions to lend a valuable hand—no one but no one knows the game like Bill Davee, who took great pains in schooling fighters. . .Already the newspapers are sensing something big—John Hollis the Sports Editor of the Houston Post devoted a lengthy column on Hugh Benbow, his new gym, and prize pupil Lee Canolito; Dick Peebles the widely read Sports Editor of the Houston Chronicle made mention of the new Benbow Gym being one of the country's finest. . .boxing writer's Joe McLaughlin of the Chronicle and Ray Collins of the Post are expected to follow with features on the opening of the new boxing regime.

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UNBEATEN LAING OUTPOINTS COOPER

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Breen did well early on, then it was Mullins' turn to score with some good right hands. It was Breen's first defeat as a pro.

Terry O'Connor, Birmingham, 206, outscored Artist Gibson, Croydon, 189, over six by 60-58½, jabbing his way methodically to victory.

▲Lakeside Club, Frimley Green — The official eliminator for the British heavyweight title ended in a draw. Bunny Johnson, Birmingham, 184, seemed unlucky not to get the verdict over Billy Aird, Liverpool, 193, after ten rounds, and there was controversy afterwards when Johnson complained that he had been bitten on the left shoulder by his opponent.

Aird then admitted that he had bitten his opponent, but he added that this was in retaliation, alleging that he had been butted, his eye had been rubbed by his opponent's glove, and that other fouls had been committed by Johnson.

Their two previous bouts had been won by Johnson on points, but Aird started confidently enough, and showed some good footwork in evading his opponent's leads. This situation continued for the first three sessions.

The next few rounds were slightly in favor of Johnson, who had got his left jab working, revealing more aggression than Aird.

The seventh was a good round for Aird, however. He decided to attack, which seemed to take Johnson by surprise. The latter took quite a few punches to the head, but weathered the storm.

Unaccountably Aird switched to his old tactics and backed off, content to exchange jabs. If he had persisted with his aggression, who knows what might have happened, especially as Aird finished the stronger.

As it was, they will have to battle it out all over again in order to find the next challenger for Richard Dunn's British title.

Point of interest — normally it's the heavyweights that make the most money, but for their drawn contest Aird and Johnson earned £570 each. This would never have done for Henry Cooper or Joe Bugner.

Errol McKenzie, Cardiff, 160, outpointed Leroy Herriott, Tredegar, 166, over eight by 80-76, winning every round. In spite of the points margin, Herriott sternly contested every round.

Clive Davidson, Peckham, 161, kayoed Errol Lotriet, Southampton, 163, in three.

Derek Gardner, Croydon, 149, outpointed Mick Hampston, Lewisham, 148½, over six by 60-58. Plenty of action here.

▲North Staffordshire Sporting Club, Stoke — Mick Hussey, Islington, 160, beat substitute Joe Hannaford, Shrewsbury, 163, the bout being stopped in the fourth.

Hannaford hadn't been down, but looked in trouble on one or two occasions before the intervention.

George Gray, Bradford, 177, outpointed Terry Armstrong, Manchester, 178, over eight by 79½-77. A good win for Gray, who had been beaten by Armstrong twice in the previous three months.

No mistake this time. Southpaw Gray had his man down for eight in the first round, and kept on top after that.

Joe Jackson, Coventry, 162, stopped substitute Ritchie Smith, Liverpool, 163, in the second round, but Smith did well to keep on his feet until the referee's intervention.

Roger Doyle, Bedford, outpointed Dave Connell, Manchester, 126, over six twos by 59-58½. Close enough, and Connell's late rally just failed to make up the leeway.

Godfrey Butler, Birmingham, 135, outscored Tony Mattia, Bedford, 138, over six. Butler finished the stronger after Mattia had impressed in the early rounds.

▲Maison Royal, Bournemouth — Charlie Cooper, Ferndown, 157½, beat Liam White, Wells, 157, the referee intervening with just 30 seconds of the eighth and final round remaining.

There was little in it when White was caught with a terrific right hook that put him down for seven. His legs were wobbly when he rose, and the bout was stopped. White won the first half, and Cooper the second.

Brian Huckfield, Birmingham, 191½, kept his unbeaten record by outpointing Derek Simpkin, Leicester, 199, over eight by 79-77½. A hard fight, with Huckfield impressive.

Mick Evans, Bournemouth, 159, outscored Mick Minter, Crowley, 155¾, by 59-58½ over six. Evans' constant aggression earned him the verdict.

Willie Owen, Poole, 145, outpointed Keith Bundy, Southampton, 148, over six twos by 59½-58½.

Debutant Steve Fenton, Leicester, 159½, beat Owen Lotriet, Southampton, 165, the bout being stopped after 70 sec. of the first. During that short time Lotriet had been decked three times.

▲Bedfordshire Sporting Club — Barton McAllister, Clapham, 142, outpointed former Southern Area lightweight champion Noel McIvor, Luton, 138, over eight by 79-77½.

A good performance by McAllister, who had twice been beaten by McIvor previously. McIvor looked in confident mood at the start, and shook his man with a right to the head in the third.

McAllister weathered the storm, and kept up the pressure until the close. McIvor's nose bled, but he tried hard in the final session to get on terms without success.

Dave Mullings, Tottenham, 177, outscored Steve Foley, Bedford, 175, over eight twos by 79-77½. Mullings established an early lead with some good jabbing, but Foley's persistence nearly paid off in the last two rounds, when he had Mullings holding on for survival.

Southpaw Roger Doyle, Bedford, 131, outscored Dave Tuohey, Leeds, 130½, by 59½-58½ over six twos. Tuohey put up a good scrap, and showed plenty of aggression, but Doyle's cleaner punching earned him the verdict.

Godfrey Butler, Birmingham, 135, gained a six-rounds points win over Kevin Doherty, West Ham, 137, by the narrow margin of 59½-59. A good crowd-pleaser to end the evening's entertainment.

▲Top Rank Suite, Swansea — West Indian Neville Meade, Swansea, 216, became the first immigrant to hold the Welsh heavyweight title when he beat Tony Blackburn, Tonyrefail, 188, the bout being stopped in the fourth after Tony had been decked for eight.

Meade used his physical advantages to good effect and was never in trouble. He kept up the pressure, and this proved too much for Blackburn, who was taking a lot of punishment when the referee intervened.

Randy Barrett, Wolverhampton, 172, outpointed Leroy Herriott, Tredegar, 172, over eight by 79½-77½. A comfortable victory for Barrett in a "defences forgotten" encounter which the crowd loved, and threw in nobbins afterwards.

Returning after a year's inactivity, Ginger McIntyre, Cardiff, 172, kayoed Peter Mullins, Wolverhampton, 162, in four, a good comeback.

Mike Copp, Swansea, 152½, beat Russ Shaw, Croydon, the bout being stopped in the third. But many of the crowd voiced their disapproval, thinking the intervention was premature.

▲Cunard Hotel, London — Jim Watt, Glasgow, the current British lightweight champion, beat former featherweight champion Jimmy Revie, Stockwell, the referee intervening in the seventh round when Revie was cut on the right eyebrow.

This came from a clash of heads, and Revie's manager Dennie Mancini protested; alleging that the cut came from a butt. Watt's title was not at stake.

A pity the bout had to end that way, as there was little in it at that stage, and Revie was doing well enough to earn himself a shot at Watt's title.

Both were inside the stipulated 137 lbs.

Revie started at a fast pace, but Watt retaliated with some solid body shots that slowed up his opponent, especially in the fourth.

Then southpaw Revie used the ring well to jab his man off in the fifth and continued the good work in the sixth.

So it was more or less level pegging when the injury came, and naturally both men said they thought they would have gone on to win. An all-action contest and if a title fight can be arranged it should prove to be a cracker.

Sinclair Christie, Ealing, 151, drew with John Hamm, Basildon, 150¼, over six, a popular verdict.

Danny Connolly, Stepney, 125, outpointed Don Aagesen, Birmingham, 125, over six by 60-58, not losing a round.

John Breen, Belfast, 160, outscored Mick Evans, Bournemouth, 157, by 60-58 over six twos. Breen too didn't lose a round against an aggressive opponent.

▲Manor Place Baths, London — Mickey Ryce, Abingdon, 150¼, outpointed Albert Hillman, Orpington, 151, over eight by 79-78. It was Hillman's first defeat, and he bruised his left hand in the process.

Their previous meeting was drawn, and like their first bout nobbins came into the ring. These two are evenly matched, and Ryce outgamed his opponent this time to take the verdict.

It was fast tough fight, with warnings being issued to both boxers. Hillman was decked in the opening round from a right hand, but recovered to floor Ryce in the next session.

Fortunes fluctuated, Ryce was cut by the left eye, but it didn't worry him too much, and he finished the stronger.

Achille Mitchell, Coventry, 149, kept his unbeaten record by outpointing Paul Davis, Stepney, 149¼, over eight by 79-78. Mitchell boxed coolly and accurately, and had to survive several fast flurries.

Davis kept up the pressure, but Mitchell continued to box well on the retreat and put in a good final round.

Kenny Matthews, West Ham, 127½, beat Wally Angliss, Harrow, 123, the bout being stopped in the third when Angliss had a swelling under the right eye. The latter was down twice.

Mick Hampston, Lewisham, 148¼, drew with Peter Neal, Abingdon, 147½, in a six-rounder that earned them nobbins.

Dave Hamm, Basildon, 147¼, substituted for twin brother Johnny, and beat Derek Gardner, Croydon, 151, the referee intervening in the fifth. Gardner was decked three times.

▲World Sporting Club, London — Trevor Francis, Jamaican-born and Basingstoke-based, 146¾, won his final eliminator from the British welter crown by beating Jeff Gale, Leeds, 146½, the bout being stopped in the ninth with Gale very much on the receiving end.

Gale's manager Andy Smith threw in the towel, but this is not recognized in Britain, and referee James Brimmell said afterwards he was about to stop the contest anyway.

This was a good bout while it lasted. Francis started fast and threw a lot of punches for three rounds. Then he was caught with a right hand in the fourth that completely changed the complexion of the fight.

Gale took heart at this success, and gained further encouragement when Francis was cut on the left eyelid.

It wasn't until the sixth that Francis started to put his punches together again properly, and a right to the chin had Gale backing up. Yet Jeff took it all and came right back. He jabbed away accurately, and it looked as if he might be outgaming Francis.

But Trevor decided that the ninth would be his all-out effort, and it worked. It came at a time when Gale had already made his effort, and it hadn't worked. So Francis came in with both hands working overtime, catching Gale with every punch in the book.

Jeff did his best to fight back, but took several right hands before the towel came in, the referee to intervening at the same time.

Jan Magdziarz, Eastleigh, 160, won the Southern Area title by beating Frankie Lucas, Croydon, 159½, the bout being stopped in the sixth when Lucas was cut on the left eyebrow. This afterwards necessitated stitches at a hospital.

Magdziarz injured his right hand, and there was plenty of feeling in this fight. Not too difficult to understand, for in their previous encounter, which was also for the Area crown, Magdziarz claimed he had been butted and bitten by Lucas, who won on cuts in the seventh.

Lucas pressed forward this time, scored well with body shots, but Jan too landed some good scoring punches and jabbed accurately.

Wayne Bennett, Tredegar, 148, outscored Jim Moore, Bradford, 150, by 80-76½ over eight. No trouble for the taller Bennett, who provided the only clean punches that were delivered.

Terry O'Connor, Birmingham, 206, outpointed Kenny Buttrell, Worksop, 210, over six by 60-57, winning every round.

GARDNER WINS IN SECOND, BUT SHOWING IS POOR

By TOM RAY

OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLA. — Tony Gardner, fighting a mere two weeks after his two round titular loss to WBC Jr. middleweight champ Elisha Obed, scored an uninspiring second round TKO over welterweight Ward Jones, of Dallas, at the Red Carpet Inn.

Gardner, 152, got off to a slow start, allowing Jones to move and jab. However, in the second round, the transplanted Tennesseean lowered the boom, dropping the overmatched Texan three times making it an automatic technical knockout.

The best fight of the evening featured middleweights Joe Parsons, Midwest City, and Junior Golden, Oklahoma City, in a four rounder. The contest was a savage, pier nine brawl with Parsons dropping Golden in the first round only to be decked himself three times in the final two heats.

Both men were dazed, bruised, bloody, and exhausted after the slugfest, but the judges rightfully saw it for Golden. Parsons is now 7-4-1 and Golden 1-0. This "war" has to rank as Oklahoma's best preliminary fight to date.

In a pair of other action bouts, Domingo Luna, of Mexico, cracked two of hometown favorite Rocky Smith's ribs and upset the Midwest Cityan over six rounds in their featherweight bout. The other contest, a four rounder, saw middleweights Terry Mosier, Oklahoma City, and Wayne Lewis, Midwest City, slug to a draw.

WBA sixth ranked bantamweight Sean O'Grady made his first start after a six weeks absence by halting durable Domingo Luna, Saratosa, Mexico, in the third round before a standing room only crowd at the Red Carpet Inn.

O'Grady, Oklahoma City, was coming off a fifth round TKO loss to third ranked featherweight Danny Lopez in Los Angeles while Luna, now 29-5, had decisioned O'Grady stablemate Rocky Smith here in Oklahoma City three weeks earlier.

Things went punch for punch in the first round with both throwing a lot of hard leather but in the second, the taller O'Grady began to find range for his left jab. At rounds end, Luna was decked with a neck stretching left hook to the chin.

Luna came out for the third round still slightly dazed and began throwing looping desperation punches that caused Sean a little concern. However, another flurry of O'Grady punches dropped the Mexican for a count of five and a short right put him down again, allowing referee James Williamson to stop the fight, albeit a bit premature.

The co-main event, also scheduled for ten rounds, saw WBC tenth ranked jr. middleweight Tony Gardner, 157, stop light-heavyweight Ronnie Cichon, 167, of Copan in the fourth round. A crackling left hook to the body dropped Cichon for the count at 2:52.

This marks the fifth time in three different locales the two have met with Gardner scoring technical knockouts in rounds two, six, seven, five, and finally this clean knockout.

For his own health, we hope Ronnie will give up his fanatical—and impossible—quest to beat Tony Gardner.

In a heavyweight bout, veteran Ernie Smith, Dallas, scored a quick one punch knockout over George "Wildman" Palmer, Stillwater, in just 1:44 of the first round. The former Oklahoma State U. footballer was out a good ten minutes after the count as was still in a slight fog 30 minutes later. What a right hand punch!!!!!

Amateur star Mickey Banks, Oklahoma City, made his pro debut a success by winning a unanimous decision over out of shape Wayne Lewis, Midwest City, in a four round middleweight contest.

▲OKLAHOMA PUNCH-LINES — News comes to us that Los Angeles promoter Don Fraser is negotiating for a match between cityan Sean O'Grady and Ruben Olivares.

After Sean's gutsy loss to Danny Lopez, we feel Sean might be in a bit over his head against the four-time world champion. But, with advantages in height, reach and, more importantly, age, the "Green Machine" might stand some chance of scoring an upset of the legendary "Mister KO"

Negotiations are also set to begin for a double championship bout between Tony Gardner and Mike Baker of Washington D.C.

▲OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLA. — Thirty-five retired professionals have been named to the newly established Oklahoma Boxing Hall of Fame, a branch of the Oklahoma Sports Hall of Fame housed at the State Capitol Building.

The "Hall of Famers" were chosen by a committee of their peers on a division by division basis with a minimum of vie to a weight class. The only exception to this rule was the bantamweights.

Included on the list are notables Brian Kelly Burden, former seventh ranked light-heavyweight, the late Carl Morris, one of the original "white hopes," and light-heavyweight Alvin Williams, Oklahoma's only National Golden Gloves Champion and great Indian professional.

The others are:

HEAVYWEIGHTS: Babe Hunt, Junior Munsell, Brad Simmons, and Leo Diebel.

LIGHT-HEAVYWEIGHTS: Clyde Chartain, Buddy Scott, and Baxter Calmes.

MIDDLEWEIGHTS: Ben Miller, Charlie Nashert, Warnie Smith, Speedy Sparks, Art Magirl, and Archie Cooper.

WELTERWEIGHTS: Clarence McCubbins, Chief Parks, George Courtney, Sweeney Buyers, and Leo Ownby.

LIGHTWEIGHTS: Eddie Murdock, Frankie Graham, Jack Jones, Sailor Kiser, Spider Webb, Willie Jackson, and Bobby Vincent.

FEATHERWEIGHTS: Norba Vance, Kid Granite, Dude Craig, Dude McCook, and Bobby Calmes.

BANTAMWEIGHTS: Nat Jackson and Mutt McKee.

A large oversight on the part of the selectors was the ommission of the late former heavyweight champion Jess Willard, who lived in Oklahoma for several years and began his career in the Sooner state. Others apparently forgotten are welterweight Hestel Franks and Heavyweights Danny Hodge and Wayne Heath.

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